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ABOUT ESAVS

The European School for Advanced Veterinary Studies (ESAVS) was founded in 1991 in Luxembourg as a UETP (University-Enterprise-Training-Partnership) and pilot project of the EU COMETT II programme.

ESAVS is registered as a non for profit organization in Luxembourg and is affiliated with the Department of Science of the University of Luxembourg.

The ESAVS provides state-of-the-art study programs in a variety of clinical veterinary disciplines. Using university and commercial facilities in some 20 European countries and 11 locations in Asia, the ESAVS conducts these programs for veterinarians in practice and academia from all over the world.

Internationally recognized teachers, a problem oriented approach, intensive use of case presentations, interactive teaching, practical workshops / wet labs and limited participant numbers per course optimize effective exchange of knowledge and skills.

The programs in various specialized disciplines consist of a series of residential courses and distance learning. The faculty of the ESAVS consists exclusively of specialist college members, who were also selected because of their teaching skills.

The participants can acquire new skills and knowledge which they can apply in their practice, but the ESAVS in collaboration with the University of Luxembourg also offers certificate and master degree programs which are based on courses, examinations and written work. These formal qualifications in various disciplines aim at the middle-tier level (“between graduate and specialist” as defined by the FVE, http://www.fve.org/education/post-graduate.php)

More than 15,000 vets have attended the ESAVS courses so far.
ESAVS training modules are designed for those veterinarians who wish to broaden their knowledge in a specific area. The intensive training is provided at an advanced level with major emphasis on a case-oriented and problem-solving approach.

Upon completion of a training program, the participants will have obtained advanced competence, which will enable them to solve most of the problems in specific areas.

ESAVS courses include lectures, discussions, demonstrations, case presentations and laboratory work. In order to provide a high level of training efficiency, the number of participants is limited and a significant part of the training time is reserved for practical exercises.

Each course is supervised by highly reputed course masters, who are specialists in their fields.

In the period between modules, course masters keep contact with participants of a specific training program and provide them with material to read and/or some tasks to perform. Usually this is called “distance learning”.

CERTIFICATE OF SMALL ANIMAL VETERINARY PRACTICE (CSAVP) / SPECIFIC DISCIPLINE

Introduction
The Certificate of Small Animal Veterinary Practice is based on the well known ESAVS residential courses in the discipline of your choice, examinations of these courses and keeping a case log which promotes application of newly learned methods and skills in daily practice at home and throughout the whole program.

The Certificate of Small Animal Veterinary Practice testifies that you have obtained an intermediary level of theoretical and clinical competence (as defined by the leading European veterinary organizations) in a chosen discipline.

The Intermediary Level
As a result of the increasing demand for high-quality health care, small animal veterinarians are focusing their activity more and more on specific aspects of veterinary medicine. Currently, the highest clinical qualifications in veterinary specialization are the diplomas issued by the European specialist colleges under the umbrella of the European Board of Veterinary Specialization (EBVS), delivering the title of “Board-certified in ...”. Recently, however, the leading professional veterinary organizations (FVE, EBVS, EAEVE, UEVP) did adopt the concept of Europe wide accreditation of an intermediate level of competence.

The ESAVS Courses
Since 1992, the European School for Advanced Veterinary Studies (ESAVS) has been providing training courses to veterinarians wishing to upgrade their knowledge in small animal medicine. So far, more than 650 courses in 21 clinical disciplines, with over 15,000 participants from 51 countries have been held. The ESAVS courses are taught by internationally reputed course masters, Diplomates of the European or American Colleges in their specific disciplines. Thanks to the program design, the dedication of course masters and the office organisation, ESAVS has acquired a worldwide recognition for high quality post-graduate education in veterinary medicine.

CSAVP - a recognition for your efforts
(past, present and future)
Based on its experience in structured training for small animal veterinarians, and consistent with the enormous demand fostered by the recent recognition of an intermediate level, the ESAVS offers Certificates in Veterinary Practice. Examinations and evaluation of written work are conducted consistent with rules and regulations as applied by the university of Luxembourg and/or approved by FEDE.
Certificate Objectives

• To train veterinarians to attain an intermediate level of competence in specific disciplines
• To promote a systematic problem-solving approach in the clinic
• To promote the concept of evidence-based medicine in daily practice
• To promote optimal interaction with the EBVS specialists
• To promote continuous life-long professional development in the field of small animal veterinary medicine

Certificate Programs

The Certificate is offered in the following disciplines:

• Anaesthesia, Pain Management, Emergency & Critical Care
• Cardiology
• Dentistry
• Dermatology
• Diagnostic Imaging
• Internal Medicine
• Lab Diagnostics
• Neurology
• Oncology
• Ophthalmology
• Orthopaedics
• Soft Tissue Surgery
Introduction
The Master of Small Animal Veterinary Medicine Program is a unique way to obtain a degree in a specific field of small animal veterinary medicine, and a most valuable experience in your veterinary career.

For students from EU countries, the master degree is issued by ESAVS in collaboration with the University of Luxemburg (European Master of Small Animal Veterinary Medicine). For non-EU students, the Master degree (Master of Small Animal Veterinary Medicine) is issued by ESAVS and approved by FEDE.

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EMSAVM / Specific Discipline
Our Master degree is a post-graduate qualification, also defined as a “professional Master degree” or “Master of Advanced Studies (MAS)” which means that the degree is obtained out of practice by part-time formal course work and individual written work (case logs, case reports and thesis). For students from EU countries, the master degree is issued by ESAVS in collaboration with the University of Luxemburg (European Master of Small Animal Veterinary Medicine). For non-EU students, the Master degree (Master of Small Animal Veterinary Medicine) is issued by ESAVS and approved by FEDE.
The Objectives of the EMSAVM
The objectives of these new programs are:

- To offer an extended post-graduate curricula, that prepare the veterinarian to attain an advanced level of competence in specific disciplines (ESAVS courses)
- To develop the problem-solving approach and the concept of evidence-based medicine in order to properly evaluate and report results (Clinical cases reports)
- To promote interaction with the EBVS specialists (Diplomates)
- To train participants in critical information retrieval and literature search as well as scientific writing (Master thesis)
- To promote continuous life-long professional development in the field of small animal veterinary medicine

The EMSAVM Programs
The EMSAVM is offered in the following disciplines:

- Cardiology
- Dentistry
- Dermatology
- Diagnostic Imaging
- Internal Medicine
- Neurology
- Oncology
- Surgery
TERMS & CONDITIONS

Payment / Tuition Fees

• The tuition fee includes the participation in the course, lunch / coffee breaks and course notes.

• The tuition fee does not include accommodation or transportation. The ESAVS office will provide a list of hotels where special prices have been negotiated. Please note, whilst every effort has been made to ensure the accuracy of the information supplied herein, the European School for Advanced Studies (ESAVS) cannot be held responsible for any problems encountered whilst staying at the hotels or the organization facilities at the course location.

• The tuition fee must be paid in advance. You may choose to pay by:
  Credit card (Visa / Mastercard)
  You may register directly online (see below) or via fax. The card number, cardholder’s name, expiration date and control number will be required.
  Bank transfer to the
  ESAVS account no. IBAN: LU21 0021 7101 3189 6800
  BIC Code: BILLULL
  Banque Internationale à Luxembourg (BIL)
  69, route d’Esch, L-2953 Luxembourg

  Please note:
  Additional bank charges will not be accepted by the ESAVS.

Registration Online

The ESAVS is pleased to inform you that payments for the participation in the courses can be easily conducted online. You may complete your registration (enrolment and payment for the course) on our website www.esavs.eu. This enables you better control of your registration status.

Thanks to the online registration you will immediately know whether your registration has been accepted (subject to place availability) and you may print the confirmation from your computer without having to wait for the notification from our office. We invite you to take advantage of this easy, fast and secure way to pay your tuition fees online in the future!

Registration and Early Registration

• Applications for courses are registered according to the order in which full payment of the tuition fee is received, since the number of participants per course is limited. The ESAVS reserves the right to decline a registration without further explanation.

• To secure a position in the course a deposit of € 350 is required after confirmation of participation has been received. This deposit is required within 10 days. If payment is not received an applicant may lose his / her place in the course.

• The remaining balance of the tuition fee is due prior to the course start date, 12 weeks (84 days) at the latest. The reservation and the deposit will be lost if the full amount has not been paid within the stated period.

• Early registration with full payment will be rewarded with € 100 discount from the tuition fee. Please take note of the early registration deadline dates on the website and in the confirmation documents.
Cancellations

• Any participant wishing to cancel their booking must notify ESAVS in writing.

• In the event of a cancellation received less than 8 weeks (56 days) prior to the course start date, a no-show situation or a cancellation during the course, no refunds will be granted.

• The ESAVS reserves the right to retain 50% of the payment received, if a cancellation has been made 8 to 12 weeks (56–84 days) prior to the course.

• Cancellations made more than 12 weeks (more than 84 days) before the course start date will receive a full refund minus € 300 administration charge.

• Fees cannot be transferred to another course or refunded for either cash or goods, unless a separate agreement with the ESAVS office has been made. This may incur an administration charge of € 300.

• Tuition fees will be fully reimbursed if a course is cancelled by the ESAVS. No further claim can be raised thereafter. This means that the ESAVS refunds only tuition fees and does not reimburse expenses for travel arrangements made by participants.

Other

• Missed lectures cannot be made up at another time.

• The ESAVS does not provide individual insurance for participants.

• Participants of the ESAVS courses are required to hold a valid health insurance or any other travel insurance policy.

• Participants enrolled for the ESAVS Certificate and / or Master programs should have a valid social security in their country of employment.

• Payment of the deposit / tuition fee confirms that the applicant understands and agrees to the above terms and conditions.

• All ESAVS course dates, locations and structure are subject to change up to 6 weeks prior to the courses starting. The ESAVS does not accept responsibility for monetary loss paid by participants to other organisations.

• Request for duplicates or lost certificates etc. will incur a € 50 charge.

• All material the ESAVS offers for its courses (including course notes, distance learning material etc. prepared by the course masters) is, unless otherwise stated, the property of the European School for Advanced Veterinary Studies and the course masters.

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• Participants may not distribute any copies to third parties, whether or not in electronic, whether or not for a charge or other consideration, without prior written consent of the copyright holder of the materials.

• Any infringement of the above is a violation of copyright law and will result to exclusion of all future ESAVS courses without any refund – and will be prosecuted criminally.
ANAESTHESIA & PAIN MANAGEMENT
EMERGENCY & CRITICAL CARE

ESAVS COURSES 2023
Please visit www.esavs.eu  info@esavs.eu
Program Director / Principal Course Master:
Priv.-Doz. Dr. Eva Eberspächer-Schweda, FTA, DACVAA (AT)

Course Masters:
Dr. Attilio Rocchi, DECVAA (AT),
Dr. Matthias Eberspächer-Schweda, DAVDC (AT),
Dr. Robert Trujanovic, Res. DECVAA (AT),
Dr. Elena Russold, Cert VA, CPP (AT)

Program overview:
The ESAVS Anaesthesiology courses are dedicated to veterinarians in practice or in academia willing to deepen their knowledge and hone their practical skills in anaesthesiology. The study program consists currently of 2 one-week modules. Courses are composed of a mix of theory, interactive clicker sessions, group work and practice on anaesthesia equipment and cadavers. Time is dedicated to interactive and practical training under the supervision of and in discussion with course masters and instructors, all internationally recognized European or American specialists.

Course overview:
This course focuses on the anaesthesia machine and monitoring, anaesthetic drugs and protocols, local anaesthesia, perioperative management in healthy and diseased patients as well as cardio-pulmonary resuscitation (CPR).

Learning Outcomes:
At the end of the course, participants
1) shall know how anaesthetic equipment and drugs work and how they are used in healthy and diseased small animal patients;
2) know how to improve perianaesthetic management in their hospital;
3) are able to provide CPR;
4) are able to perform commonly used local anaesthetic techniques.

Tuition fee: 2.640.-*
Early registration: EURO 2.540.-*
(deadline for FULL early registration payment: 23.10.2022)
Total hours: 40
ATF hours (Austria, Germany, Luxembourg, Switzerland): TBA
ECTS credits (Master & Certificate): 5

* eLibrary access is included in the course fee
Program Director / Principal Course Master:
Priv.-Doz. Dr. Eva Eberspächer-Schweda, FTA, DACVAA (AT)

Course Masters:
Dr. Stephanie von Ritgen, CVPP (AT),
Dr. Elena Russold, Cert VA, CPP (AT)

Course overview:
This course focuses on the physiology of ventilation, oxygenation and pain. Further, anaesthesia of small animal species including birds and reptiles are discussed. In an interactive way, perioperative complications, monitoring and case management as well as perioperative fluid management is presented and discussed.

Learning Outcomes:
At the end of the course, participants
1) should know how to properly use and set an anaesthesia machine and ventilate a patient;
2) know how to anaesthetise several small mammal species, birds and reptiles;
3) have a sound knowledge of pain mechanisms, recognition and treatment;
4) are able to recognise and work up errors, complications and abnormal findings in the perioperative monitoring;
5) have a good knowledge on which crystalloid or colloid solution should be used and when.

Tuition fee: 2.640.-*

Early registration: EURO 2.540.~*
(early registration deadline: 27.02.2023)

Total hours: 40
ATF hours (Austria, Germany, Luxembourg, Switzerland): TBA
ECTS credits (Master & Certificate): 5

* eLibrary access is included in the course fee
Program Director / Principal Course Master:
Priv.-Doz. Dr. Eva Eberspächer-Schweda, FTA, DACVAA (AT)

Course Masters:
Dr. Attilio Rocchi, Dipl.ECVAA (AT),
Nadja Sigrist, Dr. med. vet., FVH (small animals), Dipl. ACVECC & ECVECC (CH),
EH Esther Hassdenteufel, Dr. med. vet., Dipl. ACVECC & ECVECC

Course overview:
This course is a joint course run by the course masters of the Anaesthesia & Pain management and the Emergency & Critical Care courses. It focuses on interdisciplinary case discussions and participants benefit from looking at treatment options from different perspectives: What is important in the emergency department? How should anaesthesia ideally be administered? And what are the key points in post-operative intensive care?

In a half-day wet lab, participants can practice various techniques that are important in the care of critically ill patients, such as thoracentesis, local anaesthesia techniques, oesophageal and cystotomy tube placement and more.

Learning Outcomes:
After this course, participants will be able to
1) safely stabilise small animal patients with various clinical conditions (e.g. Cushings syndrome, FLUDT, trauma, haemoabdomen, sepsis, heat stroke, smoke inhalation, dyspnoea and others) during initial treatment, anaesthetise them if surgical intervention is required and then provide intensive care afterwards;
2) appropriately euthanise critically ill patients;
3) respond appropriately to accidental anaesthetic overdose.

This course is the last of the five courses that should be taken to fulfil the requirements for the Certificate in Anaesthesia, Pain Management, Emergency and Critical Care. To get the most out of this course, we strongly recommend that you first attend at least two of the Anaesthesia & Pain Management or Emergency & Critical Care courses.

Tuition fee: 2.640.-*

Early registration: EURO 2.540.-* (deadline for FULL early registration payment: 29.05.2023)

Total hours: 40
ATF hours (Austria, Germany, Luxembourg, Switzerland): TBA
ECTS credits (Master & Certificate): 5

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**Principal Course Masters:**
Dr. Nadja Sigrist, DACVECC, DECVECC (CH)
Dr. Katja-Nicole Adamik DACVECC, DECVECC (CH)

**Instructors:**
Dr. Marta Kantynka, DACVAA (CH)
Dr. Alan Kovacevic, DECVIM-CA (CH)
Christina Precht, DECVDI (CH)
Dr. Simona Vincenti, DECVS (CH)

**Course overview:**
This veterinary course in emergency and critical care is organized with the following emphasis: veterinarians that are actively integrated in an emergency service need continuous education and training. This course should give the candidates an introduction into the state of the art of emergency medicine and at the same time it is the first basic part followed by an advanced course for veterinarians involved in ESAPS continuing education.

At the end of the course the student should be able to:
1) Recognize a life threatening problem and prioritize actions
2) Recognize different forms of shock and know how to treat it
3) Assess the needs of fluid therapy and know how to give it
4) Recognize and treat the most common medical and surgical emergencies
5) Have a basic knowledge on cardiopulmonary resuscitation
6) Use narcotics and analgesics in critically ill patients

The course is divided in classical lectures, interactive case discussions in small groups, practical labs and surgical exercises.

**Tuition fee:** 2.640.-*

Early registration: EURO 2.540.-* (deadline for FULL early registration payment: 23.10.2022 / 15.12.2022)

Total hours: 40
ATF hours (Austria, Germany, Luxembourg, Switzerland): TBA
ECTS credits (Master & Certificate): 5

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Principal Course Master:
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Course Master:
Dr. Katja-Nicole Adamik DACVECC/ECVECC (CH)

Instructors:
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Simona Vincenti, Dr. med. vet., Dipl. ECVS
Thierry Francey, Dr.med.vet., Dipl. ACVIM
Imke Hennink, Dr.med.vet, ECVECC Resident
Laureen Peters, Dr. med. vet., MVetMed, FHEA, Dipl. ACVP

Course overview:
This veterinary course in emergency and critical care will focus on intensive care with main topics on Sepsis / Septic Shock / SIRS, advanced fluid therapy and monitoring in the ICU, respiratory failure and mechanical ventilation. Practical work will include an advanced wet lab in emergency surgery and much more.

Topics:
• Fluid therapy – advanced (crystalloids, colloids)
• Transfusion medicine
• Sepsis – advanced
• Rule of 20/ monitoring the ICU patient
• Blood gas: acid-base
• Blood gas: oxygenation and ventilation
• Introduction to mechanical ventilation
• Mechanical ventilation: cases
• Lab: thoracic procedures
• Emergency management of the patient with ARF
• Peritoneal dialysis
• Hemodialysis
• Lab: urinary catheter, peritoneal catheter, CVC
• Parenteral nutrition
• Acute abdomen: surgical indications
• Lab: abdominal surgery
• DIC / coagulation
• Hematology
• CPCR theory
• Lab: CPCR

Tuition fee: 2.740.-*

Early registration: EURO 2.640.-* (deadline for FULL early registration payment: 13.03.2023)

Total hours: 40
ATF hours (Austria, Germany, Luxembourg, Switzerland): TBA
ECTS credits (Master & Certificate): 5

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Program Director / Principal Course Master:
Univ. Prof. Dr. Gerhard Wess DACVIM, DECVIM-CA (DE)

Course Master:
Prof. Dr. Jens Haggström, DECVIM (SE)

Course overview:
The first module of the Cardiology program focuses on diagnostic and therapeutic options, such as heart murmurs, ECG seminars and ECG practicals, thoracic radiographs, biomarkers, cardiovascular drugs and the most common diseases seen in private practice.

Topics:
- Clinical signs, physical examination and auscultation
- Pathophysiology of heart failure and neuroendocrine regulation
- Biomarker in veterinary cardiology
- Reading chest radiographs – cardiac and non cardiac diseases
- ECG made easy seminar: from the basics to a diagnosis
- ECG Workshops (independent studies in groups) – ECG case examples
- Introduction into echocardiography and doppler examinations
- Therapy of arrhythmias
- Therapy of heart failure: cardiac drugs
- Studies in groups: Congenital heart defects, clinical cases
- Aortic stenosis
- Pulmonic stenosis
- Patent ductus arteriosus
- Mitral and tricuspid dysplasia
- Chronic valvular diseases
- Dilated cardiomyopathy, Doberman pinscher cardiomyopathy and ARVC
- Dirofilariosis/heartworm disease
- Pericardial diseases
- Independent studies in groups: Canine cases
- Cardiac tumors
- Feline cardiomyopathies: HCM, RCM, DCM, ARVC
- Workshop: Feline cases
- Workshop: Canine and feline cases (potpourri)

Tuition fee: 2.550.–*

Early registration: EURO 2.450.–*  
(early course: deadline for FULL early registration payment: 13.01.2023)
(late course: deadline for FULL early registration payment: 18.01.2023)

Total hours: 40
ATF hours (Austria, Germany, Luxembourg, Switzerland): TBA
ECTS credits (Master & Certificate): 5

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Program Director / Principal Course Master:
Univ. Prof. Dr. Gerhard Wess DACVIM, DECVIM-CA (DE)

Course Master:
Prof. Dr. Jens Haggström, DECVIM (SE)

Course overview:
The Veterinary Cardiology Course II of the EASVS requires experience and knowledge in veterinary cardiology. Topics include advanced treatment options, syncope and ECG, basic echocardiography, feline cardiomyopathies and advanced diseases.

General Program: In the mornings: lectures with one general topic. In the afternoons: practical training on patients, group case discussion on pre-recorded case material.

Topics:
- Syncope: practical work-up and differentials
- ECG-repetition: assessment of arrhythmia’s and treatment strategies
- Holter Monitoring: when to use, how to do, and how to Analyse
- Assessment of the diuretic function, the challenge between volume overload and hypoperfusion
- Advanced treatment options of acute heart failure
- Advanced treatment options of chronic heart failure
- Interactive cases management of challenging cases
- Clinical case studies, heart failure treatment
- Dyspnea in felines
- Feline Cardiomyopathies: physical examination, SAM, DR VOTO, genetic tests
- Feline Cardiomyopathies-ECG, radiography and biomarker changes
- Update: treatment of feline cardiomyopathy
- Aortic thrombosis diagnosis and therapy
- ECG cases – practicals in small Groups
- Atrial septal defect: diagnosis and treatment options
- Ventricular septal defect: diagnosis and treatment options
- Differentiation of MMVD and DCM in large breed dogs
- Cyanotic heart diseases
- Mitral and Tricuspid valve dysplasia
- Systemic hypertension: diagnosis and treatment
- Pulmonary hypertension: diagnosis and Treatment
- Echocardiography basics: standard views
- M-Mode – reference values and results interpretation
- Spectral Doppler-Echocardiography (PW and CW)
- Colour Doppler-Echocardiography – tips and tricks
- Hands-on: practical training of acquiring Echo-images from the right side
- Hands-on: practical training of Echo-measurement; ECG cases; ECHO cases
- Hands-on: right and left sided ECHO views; ECG cases; ECHO cases
- Problem oriented echocardiography – volume overload
- Problem oriented echocardiography – pressure overload
- ECHO cases – interactive cases Management

Tuition fee: 2.550.-*

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CARDIOLOGY III  
Luxembourg, 10 – 14 May 2023  
Warsaw / Poland, 9 – 13 August 2023

Program Director / Principal Course Master:  
Univ. Prof. Dr. Gerhard Wess DACVIM, DECVIM-CA (DE)

Course Master:  
Dr. Oriol Domenech, DECVIM-CA (IT)

Course overview:  
This veterinary course is designed to give the practitioner a basic understanding of small animal echocardiography. Major topics include ultrasound principles, normal cardiac anatomy and physiology, techniques for achieving quality results, case presentations of important diseases and hands-on scanning of normal dogs. Skills taught in this course include further-on pulse wave Doppler, continuous wave Doppler, color flow Doppler, special measurements and calculations and applying the Bernoulli equation to clinical cases.

The participants will rotate in the afternoon in hands-on sessions through different stations with experienced instructors where individual coaching of how to obtain echocardiographic views and measurements taught in the morning lectures is the main focus.

The ECHO-Lab station focuses on pattern recognition and will present computer based Echo case presentations of clinical cases that will be solved interactive by the participants guided by an instructor. Therefore many important cardiac diseases will be seen by the participants.

Course objectives:  
At the end of this course, the participant will be able to:

- Discuss, identify and perform a complete diagnostic study from the right and left hemithorax.
- Measure 2D, M-mode and Doppler echocardiograms to quantify cardiac size and function.
- Compare and contrast the usefulness of 2D and M-mode Echocardiography, and of PW, CW and color Doppler.
- Recognize clinical uses of Doppler for estimation of intravascular pressures.
- Describe a complete Doppler examination and obtain Doppler derived flow signals from the heart and great vessels.
- Discuss use of echo and Doppler in recognition, staging and management of congenital and acquired heart disease.
- Describe the typical imaging and Doppler echocardiographic findings of common acquired and congenital heart diseases.

Tuition fee: 2.990.-*  
Early registration: EURO 2.890.-*  
(early course: deadline for FULL early registration payment: 23.11.2022)  
(late course: deadline for FULL early registration payment: 22.02.2023)  
Total hours: 40  
ATF hours (Austria, Germany, Luxembourg, Switzerland): TBA  
ECTS credits (Master & Certificate): 5

* eLibrary access is included in the course fee
Program Director / Principal Course Master:
Univ. Prof. Dr. Gerhard Wess DACVIM, DECVIM-CA (DE)

Course Master:
Prof. Dr. Karsten Schober, DECVIM-CA (USA)

Instructors:
Dr. Jana Friederich (DE)
Dr. Tommaso Vezzosi (IT)
Dr. Susanne Thamke (DE)

Course overview:
This module focuses on advanced echocardiographic techniques. As in module III there are advanced lectures about more exotic cardiovascular diseases, diastolic function, case presentations and much more. In the afternoon sessions there is time to practice echocardiography.

Course objectives:
Echocardiography – general topics and case examples of this veterinary course in cardiology:

- Update on recent clinical studies concerning diagnostic tests
- Interactive (difficult) ECG Cases
- Interactive (difficult) case examples to apply pressure calculations using CW-Doppler
- PISA (proximal isovelocity surface area) to assess severity of valvular insufficiencies, regurgitation-volume and –fraction
- Hands on echocardiography (individual coaching) and Echo lab
- Echocardiography – Doppler
- Update on recent clinical studies concerning treatment options
- Diastolic function: Principles and echocardiographic correlates of relaxation, compliance, volume, and filling pressure
- Tissue Doppler Imaging basics. Tissue velocity, Strain, Strain Rate: technical aspects, different methods, pitfalls
- Doppler Echocardiography: value of Doppler to predict congestive heart failure and to assess HCM stag
- Hands on echocardiography (individual coaching) and Echo lab
- Echocardiography – Systolic function
- Quantitative echocardiography: calculation of stroke volume and cardiac output
- Utilizing echocardiography to guide therapy – case examples
- Tissue Doppler imaging to assess systolic function – clinical applications
- Advanced echocardiographic assessment of pulmonary hypertension and pulmonary fibrosis treatment

Tuition fee: 2.990.-*

Early registration: EURO 2.890.-* (early course: deadline for FULL early registration payment: 21.04.2023)
(late course: deadline for FULL early registration payment: 05.06.2023)

Total hours: 40
ATF hours (Austria, Germany, Luxembourg, Switzerland): TBA
ECTS credits (Master & Certificate): 5

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Program Director / Principal Course Master:
Univ. Prof. Dr. Gerhard Wess DACVIM, DECVIM-CA (DE)

Course Masters:
Prof. Dr. Karsten Schober, DECVIM-CA (USA),
Prof. Tony Glaus DECVIM-CA (CH),
Dr. Oriol Domenech DECVIM-CA (IT)

Course overview:
As being the last level of the ESAVS cardiology program, this advanced module presents updates of all diseases and new diagnostic and therapeutic options. It is a mixture of practicals and theoretical sessions including interactive presentations of unique ECG and Echo cases.

The first two days we will focus on echocardiography: which techniques have evolved over the last few years, what’s new concerning diagnosis of diastolic function, feline cardiomyopathies, transesophageal echo, lung ultrasound to diagnose pulmonary edema, better measurements for better diagnoses. The course masters will also present some of their coolest echo cases.

There will be also practicals on 5 echo machines in the afternoons during the first two days, where we will have a cat station, probably a 3D station, and most importantly individual coaching to help to improve your daily workflow.

Starting on day three we will give you updates on various diseases, diagnostic tests and therapeutic news, which were published the last few years. Additionally, we will continue with the ECG sessions as practicals as well as more interactive case presentations. We will also cover some non-primary cardiac topics, such as non-cardiogenic pulmonary edema, angiostrongylus, pulmonary hypertension and differentials of SAM, just to name a few topics.

We are very excited to have a module V in Cardiology (which only can be booked after participation of courses 1-4) and have recruited excellent lecturers and instructors; there will be 6 ACVIM or ECVIM Diplomates in Cardiology!

Tuition fee: 3.090.-*
Early registration: EURO 2.990.-*
(Deadline for full early registration payment: 26.04.2023)
Total hours: 40
ATF hours (Austria, Germany, Luxembourg, Switzerland): TBA
ECTS credits (Master & Certificate): 5

* eLibrary access is included in the course fee
DENTISTRY I
INTRODUCTION TO DENTISTRY, DIAGNOSTICS & EXTRACTIONS
Dublin / Ireland, 5 – 9 March 2023
Dublin / Ireland, 4 – 8 June 2023
Dublin / Ireland, 26 – 30 August 2023

Program Directors:
Dr. Jan Schreyer DEVDC (DE),
Dr. Jerzy Gawor DAVDC, DEVDC (PL)

Course overview:
This veterinary course covers the introduction to dentistry starting with diagnostics in small animal dentistry, clinical and radiographic assessment of oral and dental structures, using and filling-in dental charts for dogs and cats. It also focuses on the importance of radiography, exposing and interpreting intraoral radiographs. Canine and feline extractions are clinically a very important subject and are covered in the extended practicals.

Main topics:
- oral and dental anatomy and physiology
- oral examination technique and charting
- dental equipment and instrumentation
- oral radiography and interpretation
- extraction techniques and extraction complications

Tuition fee: 2,900.-*
Early registration: EURO 2,800.-*
(early course: deadline for FULL early registration payment: 18.12.2022)
(late course: deadline for FULL early registration payment: 01.12.2022)
Total hours: 40
ATF hours (Austria, Germany, Luxembourg, Switzerland): TBA
ECTS credits (Master & Certificate): 5

* eLibrary access is included in the course fee
Program Directors:
Dr. Jan Schreyer DEVDC (DE),
Dr. Jerzy Gawor DAVDC, DEVDC (PL)

Course overview:
Periodontal diseases are the number one clinical problem in dogs and cats. This course gives an overview of small animal periodontology, including basic knowledge about these diseases, diagnostics, conservative treatment options, preventive and regenerative techniques and advanced surgical procedures. The participant will learn about how to deal with gingivitis, periodontitis, alveolar bone loss, periodontal pockets, gingival recession and many other diseases. Further subjects covered in this course are major feline oral problems including inflammatory diseases and teeth resorption. Basic knowledge about veterinary dentistry and intraoral dental radiography is required to enable participants to take the most out of this course.

Main topics:
• anatomy of the periodontium, oral microbiology and immunology
• aetiology, pathogenesis and diagnostic approach to periodontal diseases
• conservative periodontal therapy and prophylaxis
• canine and feline tooth resorption
• feline chronic gingivostomatitis and other feline inflammatory oral diseases
• periodontal surgery – basic and advanced techniques

Tuition fee: 2.900.-*
Early registration: EURO 2.800.-*
(early course: deadline for FULL early registration payment: 30.10.2022)
(late course: deadline for FULL early registration payment: 21.05.2023)
Total hours: 40
ATF hours (Austria, Germany, Luxembourg, Switzerland): TBA
ECTS credits (Master & Certificate): 5

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Program Directors:
Dr. Jan Schreyer DEVDC (DE),
Dr. Jerzy Gawor DAVDC, DEVDC (PL)

Course overview:
The dentistry course III is dedicated to manual standard endodontic treatment and restorative techniques. There will be introduction to materials, equipment and instruments as well as theoretical background of hard dental tissue and pulp functioning. The programme covers all procedures required to salvage traumatized and broken teeth in dogs and cats. To be able to efficiently work in this course and take the most out of it it’s mandatory for participants to be able to produce proper intraoral dental radiographs.

Main topics:
• restorative dentistry
• vital pulp therapy
• manual standard root canal therapy in dogs and cats
• complications in endodontics

Tuition fee: 2.980.-*

Early registration: EURO 2.880.-*
(deadline for FULL early registration payment: 24.12.2022)

Total hours: 40
ATF hours (Austria, Germany, Luxembourg, Switzerland): TBA
ECTS credits (Master & Certificate): 5

* eLibrary access is included in the course fee
Program Directors/Principal Course Masters:
Dr. Jan Schreyer DEVDC (DE),
Dr. Jerzy Gawor DAVDC, DEVDC (PL)

Course overview:
Prosthodontics, orthodontics and juvenile dentistry are the major subjects of the fourth dentistry course. It will cover the diagnosis and treatment of common problems in juvenile patients, common treatment options for malocclusion in dogs and cats and techniques required for crowning of teeth and a prosthetic approach for management of damaged dental structures.

Main topics:
- preparation of teeth for crowning
- impression techniques
- cementation of the crown
- orthodontic treatment
- oral embryology, developmental defects and juvenile dentistry

Tuition fee: 2,980.-*
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Early registration: EURO 2,880.-*
(edited)
(deadline for FULL early registration payment: 27.05.2023)

Total hours: 40
ATF hours (Austria, Germany, Luxembourg, Switzerland): TBA
ECTS credits (Master & Certificate): 5

* eLibrary access is included in the course fee
Principal Course Master:
Assoc. Prof. Dr. Vladimír Jekl, Ph.D., DECZM (CZ)

Course Masters:
Dr. Jan Schreyer DEVDC (DE),
Dr. Jerzy Gawor DAVDC, DEVDC (PL)

Course overview:
The number of exotic companion mammals is growing, especially rabbits, guinea pigs, chinchillas and ferrets. EASVS Small Mammal Dentistry course is responding to growing need of general practitioners as well as profiled exotic animal clinics to learn more about dental and maxillofacial problems in rabbits, rodents and ferrets. Participant will receive theoretical and practical knowledge about clinical anatomy, pathophysiology of dental disease, clinical and radiographic assessment of oral and dental/skull structures, computed tomography examination, and surgical approaches to particular dental disorders (extraction techniques, extraoral approach to the odontogenic abscesses, apicoectomy, etc.).

Tuition fee: 2.940.-*

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Program Director / Principal Course Master:
Prof. Dr. Lluís Ferrer, DVM, PhD, Dipl. ECVD (ES)

Course Masters:
Chiara Brachelente, DVM, PhD, Dipl. ECVP
Alessandra Fondati, DVM, PhD, Dipl. ECVD
Annette van der Lee, DVM, PhD, Dipl. ECVD

Course overview:
In this first introductory course, the basic principles of dermatology are reviewed. First, the biology of the skin, with special attention to the mechanisms of innate and acquired skin immunity and to the skin microbiome. Second, the approach to the dermatological patient and how the diagnosis is made: the problem-oriented approach (POA), the decision-making process, the adequate use of diagnostic tests and the dual-processing model. Among the diagnostic tests, special attention is given to cutaneous histopathology, considered the most powerful diagnostic tool. Furthermore, the students will learn how to design effective treatment plans under the paradigm of evidence-based medicine and the principles of conservative prescription.

In the second part of the course the main bacterial diseases of the skin will be reviewed. From common diseases as superficial bacterial folliculitis to severe and uncommon conditions as necrotizing fasciitis. The adequate use of diagnostic techniques (cultures, molecular techniques) and the therapy for skin infections, including those caused by multi-resistant organisms will be discussed.

Learning outcomes:
At the end of the course, participants will be able to:
1. Understand skin structure and function (and how different components of the skin are involved in the pathogenesis of different skin diseases).
2. Approach a dermatologic patient following the POA (history, clinical and dermatologic examination, definition of the problem(s), elaboration of an adequate differential diagnosis list).
3. Perform and interpret basic diagnostic techniques (skin scrapings, cutaneous cytologies, skin cultures, skin biopsies).
4. Diagnose and treat the most common bacterial skin diseases of the dog and cat.

Tuition fee: 2.350.-*
Early registration: EURO 2.250.-*
(deadline for FULL early registration payment: 15.12.2022)
Total hours: 40
ATF hours (Austria, Germany, Luxembourg, Switzerland): TBA
ECTS credits (Master & Certificate): 5

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Program Director/Principal Course Master:
Prof. Dr. Lluis Ferrer, DVM, PhD, Dipl.ECVD (ES)

Course Masters:
Prof. Dr. Patrick Bourdeau, Dipl. ECVD, Dipl. EVPC (FR)
Dr. Guadalupe Miro, Dipl. EVPC (ES)
Dr. Laia Sollano-Gallego, Dipl. ECVP (ES)

Course Overview
This course focuses on the diagnosis and treatment of skin diseases caused by fungi, parasites and viruses. The superficial mycosis (dermatophytosis, Malassezia), but also the less common subcutaneous mycosis (sporotrichosis, chromomycosis, hyalomycosis) and systemic mycosis (cryptococcosis) are discussed in depth. The main diseases caused by ectoparasites in dogs and cats (scabies, notoedric mange, demodicosis, cheyletiellosis, otoacariasis) and their diagnosis, treatment and prevention are also reviewed. Special attention is devoted to canine leishmaniasis, to its etiopathogenesis, diagnosis and treatment and prevention (vaccines). Finally, cutaneous viral infections of dogs and cats are discussed, with a special focus on papillomavirus infections.

Tuition fee: 2.350.-*

Early registration: EURO 2.250.-* (deadline for FULL early registration payment: 23.12.2022)

Total hours: 40
ATF hours (Austria, Germany, Luxembourg, Switzerland): TBA
ECTS credits (Master & Certificate): 5

* eLibrary access is included in the course fee
Program Director:
Prof. Dr. Lluís Ferrer, DVM, PhD, Dipl.ECVD (ES)

Principal Course Masters:
Dr Chiara Noli, DVM, Dipl. ECVD (IT)
Dr Manolis Saridomichelakis, DVM, PhD, Dipl. ECVD (GR)

Course Master:
Dr. Thierry Olivry, Dr. Vet., PhD, Dipl. ECVD, Dipl. ACVD (FR)

Course Overview
This course focuses on the diagnosis and treatment of allergic and autoimmune skin diseases. The first part deals with skin allergies, especially with atopic dermatitis. The understanding and management of atopic dermatitis has experienced a deep change in the last years. The use of the new therapeutic tools (JAK inhibitors, monoclonal antibodies) is discussed in detail in a framework of a medicine that tends to be more individualized (different treatment for each patient). In the second part, cutaneous autoimmune diseases are discussed. Immune mechanisms and pathogenesis of each entity are reviewed, followed by diagnostic criteria and treatment. Special attention is given to the pemphigus group, but other auto-immune diseases as uveo-dermatologic syndrome or alopecia areata are also discussed.

Tuition fee: 2.350.-*

Early registration: EURO 2.250.-*
(deadline for FULL early registration payment: 12.06.2023)

Total hours: 40
ATF hours (Austria, Germany, Luxembourg, Switzerland): TBA
ECTS credits (Master & Certificate): 5

* eLibrary access is included in the course fee
Program Director:
Prof. Dr. Lluís Ferrer, DVM, PhD, Dipl.ECVD (ES)

Course Masters:
Dr. Laura Ordeix, PhD, Dipl. ECVD
Univ. Prof. Gilles Dupré, Dipl. ECVS
Dr. Charly Pignon, Dipl. ECEZM

Course Overview
This course consists of three differentiated teaching blocks. The first block (two first
weeks) focuses on otitis externa and otitis media-interna. The pathophysiology,
clinical presentation and subtypes, diagnosis (cytology, video-otoscopy, imaging
(CT, MRI)), and management of otitis will be discussed in depth. The second block
(third week) is devoted to the discussion of diseases that affect special anatomical
regions, such as claws, anal sacs and eyelids, and periocular skin. These anatomic
regions have a different structure and function than the rest of the skin and present
specific problems. The third block (last week) discusses the dermatological diseases
of exotic small mammals (ferrets, rabbits, hamsters, guinea pigs). The main parasit-
ic, infectious, allergic, endocrine, and neoplastic diseases of these species will
be discussed.

Learning outcomes:
At the end of the course, participants will be able to:
1. Identify primary, secondary, and perpetuating causes of a case of otitis externa.
2. Manage cases of otitis externa/media-interna in dogs and cats.
3. Diagnose and adequately treat claw diseases in dogs and cats. Diagnose and
   adequately treat anal sac and perianal skin diseases in dogs.
4. Diagnose and adequately treat most common skin diseases of ferrets, rabbits,
   hamsters, and guinea pigs.

Tuition fee: 2.150.-*
Early registration: EURO 2.050.-*
(deadline for FULL early registration payment: 22.12.2022)
Total hours: 40
ATF hours (Austria, Germany, Luxembourg, Switzerland): TBA
ECTS credits (Master & Certificate): 5

* eLibrary access is included in the course fee
Program Director / Principal Course Master:
Prof. Dr. Patrick Kircher, DECVDI (CH)

Course Masters:
Dr. Ewa Stanzyk, DECVDI (PL)
Dr. Susanne Thamke (DE)

Course overview:
The Diagnostic Ultrasound I course is meant for those who already have some practical experience in ultrasound. The aim is to sharpen the participant’s perception and to discuss ultrasound images of various pathological conditions.

Literature recommended by the course master:
SMALL ANIMAL DIAGNOSTIC ULTRASOUND
by T. Nyland and J. Mattoon

Topics:
- Abdomen
- Instrumentation / techniques / artefacts
- Approaches
- Interpretation
- Endosonography
- Biopsy / interventional sonography
- Diagnostic value of US compared to other methods
- General including abdominal wall
- Liver
- GI: including oesophagus and pancreas
- Urinary tract
- Genital
- Vascular including Doppler of arteries and veins
- Lymph nodes
- Adrenal

Tuition fee: 2.990.-*
Early registration: EURO 2.890.-* (deadline for FULL early registration payment: 28.2.2023)
Total hours: 40
ATF hours (Austria, Germany, Luxembourg, Switzerland): TBA
ECTS credits (Master & Certificate): 5

* eLibrary access is included in the course fee
Course overview:
The aim of this course is to sharpen the participant’s perception and to discuss ultrasound images of various pathological conditions. This veterinary course in diagnostic ultrasound is an advanced part of the training program (2017/2018) Reference the experience in diagnostic ultrasound among new-comers to this course; before registering please inform us about the following:

- Average number of cases treated with diagnostic ultrasound per day/week
- Type of ultrasound equipment used
- Other seminars, training programmes, courses etc.

This information is required to determine whether your experience is sufficient to fully benefit from this course.

Literature recommended by the course master:

- SMALL ANIMAL DIAGNOSTIC ULTRASOUND
  by T. Nyland and J. Mattoon

Topics:

- Gastrointestinal Disorders
- The Urogenital Tract
- Endocrine Ultrasound
- Other Parenchymal Organs
- Musculoskeletal Ultrasound

Tuition fee: ......*

Early registration: EURO ......* (deadline for FULL early registration payment: ...)

Total hours: 40
ATF hours (Austria, Germany, Luxembourg, Switzerland): TBA
ECTS credits (Master & Certificate): 5

* eLibrary access is included in the course fee
Principal Course Master:
Prof. Dr. Paul Y. Barthez, DECVDI, DACVR (LU)

Course Masters:
Dr. Edoardo Auriemma, DECVDI (IT)
Dr. Giuseppe Lacava DECVDI (IT)

Course overview:
This training programme is designed for veterinarians with limited experience in diagnostic radiology of companion animals. The objective of the program is to provide participants with a logical approach to basic radiographic image interpretation, including detection of pertinent radiographic signs, and generation of a prioritized differential diagnosis.

The program is based primarily on clinical case studies in small group work and interactive teaching to stimulate an active learning process. The aim of the programme is to give participants enough knowledge and ability in radiographic image interpretation to achieve independence in common clinical situations and to facilitate their collaboration with European specialists in this field.

Topics:
- Introduction – Thorax
  Basics of radiographic image formation – Introduction to interpretation of radiographic images – Radiology report – Self studies: Thoracic cases – Discussion
- Thorax
  Thoracic radiology – Pulmonary patterns – Thoracic cases – Discussion
- Abdomen
  Radiographic contrast media and abdominal contrast procedures – Self studies: Abdominal cases – Discussion
- Appendicular Skeleton
  Aggressive versus non-aggressive bone lesion – Self studies: Orthopaedic cases – Discussion
- Axial Skeleton
  Myelography – Self studies: Skull and spine cases – Discussion

Conclusion and introduction to the distance learning program

Tuition fee: 2.300.-*
Early registration: EURO 2.200.-* (deadline for FULL early registration payment: 30.01.2023)
Total hours: 40
ATF hours (Austria, Germany, Luxembourg, Switzerland): TBA
ECTS credits (Master & Certificate): 5

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Principal Course Master:
Prof. Dr. Paul Y. Barthez, DECVDI, DACVR (LU)

Course Masters:
Dr. Edoardo Auriemma, DECVDI (IT)
Dr. Giuseppe Lacava DECVDI (IT)

Course overview:
The objectives of the program are to provide participants a basic understanding of the technology involved in modern CT units, knowledge of common CT acquisition techniques, proficiency in image viewing and manipulation using DICOM viewing software, and a logical approach to CT image interpretation, including detection of pertinent signs, and generation of a prioritized differential diagnosis. The program is based on combination of lectures, clinical case studies in small group, and interactive teaching to stimulate an active learning process. The aim of the programme is to give participants enough knowledge and ability in CT image interpretation to achieve independence in common clinical situations and to facilitate their collaboration with European specialists in the fields.

Topics:
- Basic principles, instrumentation and acquisition principles
- Image Reconstruction, Quality and Artifacts
- DICOM, PACS, viewing stations and image display
- Orthopaedics
- Neuroimaging - Spine and CNS
- Head CT Thoracic CT
- CT angiogram and vascular anatomy - Abdomen

Tuition fee: 2.450.-*
Early registration: EURO 2.350.-*
(deadline for FULL early registration payment: 01.04.2023)
Total hours: 40
ATF hours (Austria, Germany, Luxembourg, Switzerland): TBA
ECTS credits (Master & Certificate): 5

* eLibrary access is included in the course fee
Principal Course Master:
TBA

Course Masters:
TBA

Course overview:
The objectives of this course are to provide participants with a basic knowledge of ultrasound image formation and current technology, and to perform routine abdominal ultrasonographic examination in dogs and cats.

Topics:
- Basic principle of ultrasonographic image formation
- Ultrasonographic unit: transducer and setting
- Semeiology and artifacts
- General principles of abdominal US examination
- Liver Spleen and lymph nodes
- Kidneys
- Female genital tract
- Urinary bladder, male genital tract
- GIT, Pancreas and Adrenal glands
- Introduction to US guided biopsies and aspiration
- Doppler principles
- Abdominal vascular anatomy

Tuition fee: TBA

* eLibrary access is included in the course fee
Course overview

Small Mammals are more and more popular worldwide, and there is more demand from the owners to have the best quality of care for their animals like with dogs and cats. Small Mammals Medicine is a relatively new specialty with an important amount of new scientific data published. It could be difficult to remain updated in this context.

This Small Mammals Course is aimed to the practitioners who are willing to improve their knowledge on these species and to develop this type of consultation in their practice.

Course Objectives

• to acquire a solid theoretical (through lectures) and a practical (through wetlabs) expertise to develop a small mammal consultation.

• to master clinical reasoning allowing the management of the main pathologies the principal Small Mammal species seen in consultation.

Tuition fee: 2.550.-*

Early registration: EURO 2.450.-* (deadline for FULL early registration payment: 10.11.2022)

Total hours: 40
ATF hours (Austria, Germany, Luxembourg, Switzerland): TBA
ECTS credits (Master & Certificate): 5

* eLibrary access is included in the course fee
FELINE MEDICINE
Principal Course Master:
Dr. Sarah Caney, BVSc, PhD, DSAM(Feline), MRCVS, (UK)

Course Masters:
Prof. Danièlle Gunn-Moore BSc(Hon), BVM&S,PhD, MANZCVS, FHEA, FRSB, FRCVS, (UK)
Vicky Halls,RVN Dipl. Couns, (UK)

Course overview:
This course in feline medicine is designed for veterinarians with an interest in feline medicine. Participants can expect to increase their understanding of feline health and disease with an emphasis on a problem-solving and practical approach using real cases to illustrate key points.

The course will be held fully online via zoom. All speakers are experienced in online presentations and we will incorporate as many interactive elements into the day to keep the course as ‘participatory’ as possible. The Speakers will have their cameras on throughout the day and be monitoring the chat box for questions and comments. Interaction via the chat box is definitely encouraged and we hope participants will also choose to leave their cameras on.

Tuition fee: TBA

Early registration: TBA
(deadline for FULL early registration payment: TBA)

Total hours: 40
ATF hours (Austria, Germany, Luxembourg, Switzerland): TBA
ECTS credits (Master & Certificate): 5

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Program Director/Principal Course Master:
Dr. Jarno Schmidt MRCVS, DECVIM-CA (DE)

Course Masters:
Dr. Laurent Findji, DECVS (UK), Dr. Maurice Zandvliet DECVIM-CA (NL)

Course overview:
Oncology has become one of the fastest growing fields in small animal practice, as clients and veterinarians are becoming increasingly open-minded about treating pets with cancer. The adage “cats are not small dogs” holds true especially in oncology. Etiology, incidence, clinical symptoms, tumour biology, treatment and prognosis of feline cancer often differ significantly from that of dogs. Unfortunately for feline practitioners, most small animal seminars are heavily biased towards canine medicine with cats not getting their fair share. “Feline Oncology” is specifically designed to provide feline practitioners with the “A to Z” of cancer in cats. It will start with the diagnostic approach to the feline cancer patient, including biopsy taking, staging procedures and diagnostic options. Further, there will be a comprehensive discussion of cancer treatment options and on formulating suitable therapeutic plans. This course will address the most common feline tumours in clinical practice. A major emphasis will be on case oriented work using a systematic approach to the feline cancer patients. This course is ideal for veterinarians with little or no previous knowledge in veterinary oncology, but also highly suitable for feline practitioners, who want to deepen their understanding of feline oncology and get up-to-date with the current state of clinical research.

Topics (preliminary):
- Etiology, epidemiology and tumour biology in cats
- Diagnostic imaging and tumour staging methods
- Biopsy techniques & tumour cytology (image based, no microscopes)
- Principles of surgical oncology including reconstruction in oncologic surgery
- Principles of chemotherapy & radiation oncology
- Cutaneous neoplasms
- Lymphoma & other haematopoietic tumours
- Tumours of the respiratory tract
- Urinary tract tumours & mammary tumours
- Tumours of the skeletal system
- Oral, gastrointestinal & hepatosplenic tumours
- Important feline endocrine tumours
- Abdominal & thoracic cancer surgery
- Interactive case management

Tuition fee: 2.150.-* 
Early registration: EURO 2.050.-* (deadline for FULL early registration payment: 23.10.2022)
Total hours: 40
ATF hours (Austria, Germany, Luxembourg, Switzerland): TBA
ECTS credits (Master & Certificate): 5

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Program Director/Principal Course Master:
Univ. Prof. Dr. Gerhard Wess DACVIM, DECVIMCA (DE)

Course Master:
Priv.-Doz. Dr. Bianka Schulz, DECVIM (DE)

Course overview:
This course is dedicated to feline respiratory & cardiac diseases. In this course we will go over the differences between dogs and cats concerning heart murmurs, physical examination and heart failure. We will cover such respiratory topics as: chronic nasal discharge, nasal fungal infections, Nasal neoplasia, pulmonary parasites and many other.

Tuition fee: 2.450.-*

Early registration: EURO 2.350.-*
(Deadline for FULL early registration payment: 30.12.2022)

Total hours: 40
ATF hours (Austria, Germany, Luxembourg, Switzerland): TBA
ECTS credits (Master & Certificate): 5

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INTERNAL MEDICINE

ESAVS COURSES 2023

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Course overview:
In the second module, the problem based approach will be repeated in the discussion of several cases. As in all three modules, the evidence based medicine approach will be leading in the discussion of cases, tests and treatments. During the second module nephrology, endocrinology, haematology, cardiology, respiratory diseases, and urology will be elaborated on. A special short course on feline medicine, highlighting the differences to dogs, will be given as well. By attending the three modules of the training program listed below veterinarians can expect to acquire post-academic training in the majority of `disciplines` of internal medicine.
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Topics:
• Course I: Clinical pathology (Blood results), cytology, ECGs, Gastroenterology, Hepatology – Small Animals
• Course II: Cardiology, Pulmonology, Endocrinology, Nephrology/urology, Feline Medicine – Small Animals
• Course III: Neurology, Oncology, Haematology, Intensive care/emergency medicine, Immunology – Small Animals

Tuition fee: 3.650.-*
Early registration: EURO 3.550.-* (deadline for FULL early registration payment: 20.11.2022)
Total hours: 40
ATF hours (Austria, Germany, Luxembourg, Switzerland): TBA
ECTS credits (Master & Certificate): 5
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Principal Course Master:
Prof. Dr. Erik Teske DECVIM-CA (NL)

Course Masters:
Dr. Lisette Overduin DECVIM-CA (NL),
Dr. Hans Kooistra DECVIM-CA (NL)

Co-Speakers:
TBA

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Tuition fee: 3.650.-*

Early registration:EURO 3.550.-*

(Deadline for full early registration payment: 10.05.2023)

Total hours: 40

ATF hours (Austria, Germany, Luxembourg, Switzerland): TBA

ECTS credits (Master & Certificate): 5

* eLibrary access is included in the course fee
**Program Director / Principal Course Master:**
Prof. Dr. Reto Neiger DECVIM-CA, DACVIM (DE)

**Course Master:**
Dr. Christiane Stengel DECVIM (DE)

**Course overview:**
This Internal medicine endoscopy course in small animals using natural orifices is designed for clinicians with no or basic skills in flexible and rigid endoscopy. We cover instrument handling from how to set up the endoscope to maintenance and cleaning. Many tricks are discussed and shown since both course masters have been involved in endoscopic teaching for many years. Classroom teaching on all aspects of endoscopy in internal medicine, starting from indications to complications, procedures and possible findings will be followed almost daily by a practical wet lab with various models (including ex-vivo organs).

**Topics:**
- set up and handling of flexible endoscopes
- indications, procedure, technique in:
  - Oesophago-Gastro-Duodenoscopy
  - Colonoscopy
  - Rhinoscopy (flexible and rigid)
  - Bronchoscopy
  - Cystoscopy (flexible and rigid)
- cleaning and storage
- therapeutic endoscopic interventions
- discussion of cases

**Tuition fee:** 3.540.-*

Early registration: EURO 3.440.-*
(Deadline for full early registration payment: 21.01.2023)

Total hours: 40
ATF hours (Austria, Germany, Luxembourg, Switzerland): TBA
ECTS credits (Master & Certificate): 5

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Program Director / Principal Course Master:
Prof. Dr. Reto Neiger DECVIM-CA, DACVIM (DE)

Course Master:
Dr. Silke Salavati DECVIM-CA (UK)
Dr. Christiane Stengel DECVIM (DE)

Course overview:
Clinical work-up of internal medicine gastrointestinal, liver and pancreatic problems will be presented in a case oriented approach. Typical and less common problems of dogs and cats presented with diseases involving the entire gastrointestinal tract including hepatopathies and pancreatopathies will be used to demonstrate a structured and problem-oriented work-up.

Tuition fee: 2,350.-*

Early registration: EURO 2,250.-*
(deadline for FULL early registration payment: 23.10.2022)

Total hours: 40
ATF hours (Austria, Germany, Luxembourg, Switzerland): TBA
ECTS credits (Master & Certificate): 5

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- Integrierter 5-Charr.-Arbeitskanal
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Program Director / Principal Course Master:
Prof. Dr. Reto Neiger DECVIM-CA, DACVIM (DE)

Course Masters:
Dr. Christiane Stengel DECVIM (DE)
Dr. Sarah Steinbach DECVIM-CA, DACVIM (USA)

Course overview:
Clinical work-up of internal medicine nephrology/urology and endocrine problems will be presented in a case oriented approach. Typical and less common problems of dogs and cats presented with upper and lower urinary tract diseases as well as with endocrinopathies will be used to demonstrate a structured and problem-oriented work-up.

Tuition fee: 2.450.-*
Early registration: EURO 2.350.-*
(Deadline for full early registration payment: 05.06.2023)
Total hours: 40
ATF hours (Austria, Germany, Luxembourg, Switzerland): TBA
ECTS credits (Master & Certificate): 5

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Course Master:
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Tuition fee: 2.350.-*

Early registration: EURO 3.250.-*  
(deadline for FULL early registration payment: 03.05.2023)

Total hours: 40
ATF hours (Austria, Germany, Luxembourg, Switzerland): TBA
ECTS credits (Master & Certificate): 5

* eLibrary access is included in the course fee
Program Director:
Dr. Francesco Cian (Dipl. ECVCP (UK))

Course Masters:
Prof. Dr. Saverio Paltrinieri, Dipl. ECVCP (IT)
Dr. Barbara Willi, PhD, Dipl. ACVIM and ECVIM-CA (CH)
Dr. Cristina Perez Vera, PhD, Dipl. ACVIM and ECVIM-CA (ES)

Course overview:
The week dedicated to “clinical pathology and infectious diseases” will provide the practitioner with a thorough understanding of the most appropriate diagnostic approach to infectious diseases, including the selection of direct tests (i.e., cytology or molecular biology), indirect tests (e.g., serology, including the use of in-house or patient-side kits) and a comprehensive overview of clinico-pathological findings, with special emphasis on clinical chemistry. The combination of the above information is expected to provide the participants with an invaluable tool to solve daily problems related to infectious diseases in pets, using an integrated laboratory approach.

Whenever possible, the clinico-pathological and serological/molecular techniques will be presented through interactive case-based lectures; the participants will be asked to suggest the combination(s) of tests that are necessary to complete the diagnostic workup for cases with suspected infectious diseases. Clinical cases will also provide the opportunity for the lecturers to present slides summarizing the pathogenesis, pathophysiology, clinical and laboratory findings, as well as the recommended diagnostic workup, for each infectious disease. Last but not least, the lecturers of this course are among the most renowned worldwide, and with a very strong track record in small animal infectiology.

Learning Outcomes:
At the end of the week, the participant will be able to:
- diagnose frequent and less frequent infectious diseases of dogs and cats;
- provide a list of differential diagnoses for each clinical and laboratory finding that are associated, among the other conditions, to infectious diseases;
- select the most appropriate test to confirm or exclude infectious diseases.

Prerequisite:
The week provides cutting-edge knowledge about infectious diseases and clinical pathology of dogs and cats. Any veterinarian that struggles with the interpretation of laboratory findings is expected to benefit from the course.

Tuition fee: 2.550.-*
Early registration: EURO 3.450.-* (deadline for FULL early registration payment: 08.05.2023)

Total hours: 40
ATF hours (Austria, Germany, Luxembourg, Switzerland): TBA
ECTS credits (Master & Certificate): 5

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Program Director / Principal Course Master:
Francesco Cian (Dipl ECVCP)

Course Master:
Paola Cazzini (Dipl ACVP)

Course overview:
This on-site course will allow all participants to acquire further experience in canine and feline cytology and haematology. Each day, we will cover a different area and will start with a short frontal lesson that will provide a general summary of the topic with a very practical approach. After this, the participants will have a chance to review with individual microscopes a wide selection of cytology/haematology cases selected by the course masters. These will then be collegially discussed and special guidance to cytology/hematology reporting will be given. At the end of each day, more advanced cases will be also presented and discussed. Ample time for Q&A will be given throughout the week.

Tuition fee: 2.550.-*

Early registration: EURO 2.450.-*
(deadline for FULL early registration payment: 23.10.2022)

Total hours: 40
ATF hours (Austria, Germany, Luxembourg, Switzerland): TBA
ECTS credits (Master & Certificate): 5

* eLibrary access is included in the course fee
Instructors:
Francesco Cian (DipECVCP)
Paola Cazzini (DipACVP)

Course overview:

Cytology is an especially valuable diagnostic aid in veterinary medicine. It has the advantage of being an inexpensive technique with a lower degree of invasiveness and is able to provide a diagnosis with a very rapid turnaround time.

This online course will give you the basics you need for in house cytology from sampling techniques, to slide examination approach, and will focus in particular on the cytological presentation of the most common canine and feline pathological conditions of skin, ears, lymph nodes and selected fluids (cavitary effusions, urine). This will be achieved with a selection of online live webinars, written study material and diagnostic algorithms that the tutors have prepared for you.

The course will also include digital cytology cases that will help you gaining experience with the concepts learned throughout the course and will give you the same experience as being in front of the microscope. Every afternoon, you will have a few hours to solve these cases on your own, make a diagnosis and attempt to write a cytology report. These cases will then be discussed all together with the instructors at the end of the day.

You will also have the opportunity to interact with the tutors not only during the online classes, but also through an online forum and in dedicated online video sessions on Zoom.

At the end of the course, you will be presented with an online exam that will test your knowledge of all the topics discussed in the course and you will be asked to solve a clinical case and write a cytology report.

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Tuition fee: 2.200.-*

Early registration: EURO 2.100.-*
(deadline for FULL early registration payment: 24.04.2023)

Total hours: 40
ATF hours (Austria, Germany, Luxembourg, Switzerland): TBA
ECTS credits (Master & Certificate): 5

* eLibrary access is included in the course fee
Program Director:
Dr. Francesco Cian, Dipl. ECVCP (UK)

Course Masters:
Dr. Miguel Campos, PhD, Dipl. ECVIM-CA (Internal Medicine) (NL)
Dr. Federico Porporato, Dipl. ECVIM-CA (Internal Medicine) (IT)
Dr. Lucia Sanchini, PhD, Dipl. ECVCP (DE)

Course overview:
The Endocrinology week of the Laboratory Medicine Course is devised to provide the practitioner with a throughout understanding of small animal endocrinology. Major topics include diabetes mellitus, hyper- and hypothyroidism, hyper- and hypoadrenocorticism, pheochromocytoma and insulinoma in dogs and cats; in each disease the laboratory perspective is particularly emphasized. Endocrinology diseases may represent a diagnostic challenge to all vets. Additionally, in several cases treatment decisions are difficult and need to be made quickly to save the pet’s life. Hence, the veterinarian has a central role in every aspect of the disease, and knowing all laboratory findings can make the difference!
The Endocrinology week aims to increase the knowledge of each participant by providing new tools that help solving common and less common diseases of the glands. Besides theoretical lectures, during each afternoon the Endocrinology week includes hands-on sessions with multidisciplinary clinical cases, focused on laboratory findings. The participant is requested to give his advice after having discussed the differential diagnoses; in addition, the participant needs to suggest the therapeutic choices. The continuous dialogue with experienced lecturers, in a friendly atmosphere, will allow the participant to learn and practice at the same time.

Learning Outcomes:
At the end of the Endocrinology week, the participant will be able to:
• diagnose frequent and less frequent endocrine diseases of dogs and cats;
• identify the differential diagnoses for each clinical and laboratory finding pertaining to the endocrine system;
• select the most appropriate test for each endocrine disease;
• choose the most appropriate treatment and use appropriate laboratory findings for treatment monitoring.

Prerequisite:
The Endocrinology week provides cutting-edge knowledge about endocrine diseases of dogs and cats. Any veterinarian that struggles with the interpretation of laboratory findings related to endocrine diseases is expected to benefit from the course.

Tuition fee: 2.550.-*

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Course Masters:
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Emma Hooijberg, Dipl. ECVCP
Majank Seth, Dipl. ACVIM
Barbara Rutgen, DVM, PhD
Marco Pesaresi, DVM

Course overview:
This online course will cover all aspects of haematology from the pre-analytical phase (sample collection, choice of instruments, quality control) to the analytical phase (blood sample analysis, blood smear preparation and examination). Large part of the course will be dedicated to the microscopic examination of all blood components (red blood cells, leukocytes, platelets) with a very practical approach, including diagnostic approach to anaemia. Day 4 will be entirely dedicated to myeloid and lymphoproliferative disorders, including advanced diagnostic techniques (flow cytometry, PARR) that are often needed to confirm and/or refine a diagnosis of leukaemia. There will also be space to discuss coagulation disorders, blood typing, and transfusion medicine, which are all topics of major clinical relevance.

Similarly to the other courses, every day the participants will be presented with haematology cases to solve and digital blood smears to look at in order to put in practice what they learned during the course. Digital haematology gives you the same experience as being in front of the microscope and is the best way to learn haematology from home.

Tuition fee: 2.200.-*

Early registration: EURO 2.100.-* (deadline for FULL early registration payment: 07.11.2022)

Total hours: 40
ATF hours (Austria, Germany, Luxembourg, Switzerland): TBA
ECTS credits (Master & Certificate): 5

* eLibrary access is included in the course fee
Program Director / Principal Course Master:
Prof. Dr. Veronika Stein Dipl. ECVN (CH)

Course Masters:
TBA

Course overview:
This course focuses on the principles of the neurological examination and aims to refresh knowledge of the relevant fundamentals of neuroanatomy, neurophysiology and pathophysiology of the central and peripheral nervous system. In the practical case-based sessions the attendants have intensive training to define the neuroanatomical lesion localization and learn about common neurological diseases seen in private practice.

NEUROLOGY I
Bern / Switzerland, 16 – 20 January 2023

*eLibrary access is included in the course fee

Tuition fee: 2.700.-*  
Early registration: EURO 2.600.-*  
(Deadline for FULL early registration payment: 23.10.2022)  
Total hours: 40  
ATF hours (Austria, Germany, Luxembourg, Switzerland): TBA  
ECTS credits (Master & Certificate): 5

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Program Director / Principal Course Master:
Prof. Dr. Veronika Stein Dipl. ECVN (CH)

Course Masters:
TBA

Course overview:
Spinal and peripheral nervous system diseases
This course is designed for those who have already attended the course Neurology I and feel comfortable with defining the neuroanatomical localization. The course Neurology II offers the possibility to broaden the knowledge and level of competency in Neurology and aims to provide a logical step-wise approach to the most common diseases particularly of the spinal cord and peripheral nervous system. The morning sessions will include lectures/presentations on various topics such as intervertebral disk disease, AA-instability and Wobbler, degenerative and inflammatory spinal diseases, CSF and imaging diagnostics in spinal diseases, electrodiagnostics, polyneuropathies and myopathies as well as the therapy of the diseases.

The course will be held fully online via zoom. All speakers are experienced in online presentations and we will incorporate as many interactive elements into the day to keep the course as ‘participatory’ as possible.

Tuition fee: 2.550.–*
Early registration: EURO 2.450.–*
(Deadline for full early registration payment: 23.10.2022)
Total hours: 40
ATF hours (Austria, Germany, Luxembourg, Switzerland): TBA
ECTS credits (Master & Certificate): 5

* eLibrary access is included in the course fee
Principal Course Master:
Prof. Dr. Anna Oevermann DECVP (CH)

Course Masters:
Prof. Dr. Daniela Schweizer DECVDI (CH),
Prof. Dr. Marc Vandevelde DECVN (CH)

Course overview:
This interactive course welcomes veterinary neurologists, pathologists, diagnostic imagers and other MRI users as well as trainees in these disciplines.

In lectures and practicals, participants are trained to recognize neuroanatomical hallmarks and major lesion patterns of neurological diseases on gross and histological preparations. The application of neuropathological knowledge to MRI interpretation is trained in case studies by comparing neuropathology to corresponding MRI images.

The principal learning objective is to acquire a basic understanding of diagnostic neuropathology that participants can apply in their daily activities of clinical neurology and MR image interpretation.

For whom is this course of interest?
Clinical neurologists: The course meets the neuropathology requirements of the ECVN. Because of the rapidly increasing importance of MRI in neurology diagnostics, neurologists can greatly profit from this course.

Diagnostic imaging experts: A more profound understanding of neuropathology is undoubtedly an advantage for those who are regularly performing MRI studies of neurological patients and want to deepen their understanding of pattern recognition.

Pathologists: This course offers a comprehensive and effective introduction to diagnostic neuropathology for diagnostic pathologists and pathology residents. The link to diagnostic imaging offers insight into the needs of neurologists and diagnostic imagers to get adequate feedback from pathologists.

Tuition fee: 2.890.-*
Early registration: EURO 2.790.-*  
(deadline for FULL early registration payment: 05.1.2023)

Total hours: 40
ATF hours (Austria, Germany, Luxembourg, Switzerland): TBA
ECTS credits (Master & Certificate): 5

* eLibrary access is included in the course fee
Program Director / Principal Course Master:
Prof. Dr. Franck Forterre, Dipl ECVS (CH)

Course Master:
Dr. Ales Tomek, Dipl ECVN (CZ)

Instructor:
Dr. Yoonho Roh (CH)

Course overview:
This Neurosurgery course is primarily designed for those who participated at the Neurology-Neurosurgery Courses I, II and III. Actually the course will address basic procedures for beginners non experienced in neurosurgery and more advanced selected procedures for veterinarians with a greater surgical experience. The course will focus on neurosurgery with a main emphasis on spinal surgery. The course will be provided in a case-based manner. The necessary theoretical knowledge to understand and to perform high quality neurosurgery will be presented within the case discussion. The course is constructed in an interactive fashion and allows in depth discussions. Practicals are divided in video-based cases presentations and theory and finally a neurosurgical Wetlab.

This video-based course will deal with entire clinical cases, including primary examination (video), further investigations including diagnostic imaging procedures (images), surgery (video), follow up and possible complications (video).

In this manner lecturers expect to illustrate the variety of treatment options for neurosurgical patients in a practical way („real life neurology“).

The wetlab part of the course will give the participants, organized in small groups, the opportunity to develop their neurosurgical skills on cadavers with two main goals:

1. To improve or to develop the own surgical skills by dealing with problems encountered during conventional surgery in practice.
2. To perform basic and more complicated procedures.

The main idea of the course is to allow the participants to solve cases on their own, not only clinically but also diagnostically as well as therapeutically.

Tuition fee: 3.750.-*
Early registration: EURO 3.650.-*
(deadline for FULL early registration payment: 01.12.2022)

Total hours: 40
ATF hours (Austria, Germany, Luxembourg, Switzerland): TBA
ECTS credits (Master & Certificate): 5

* eLibrary access is included in the course fee
Principal Course Master:
Dr.med.vet. Irene Bruckner, specialist in veterinary nutrition and dietetics (AT)

Course Master:
Dr.med.vet. Stefanie Handl, specialist in veterinary nutrition and dietetics, Dipl. ECVCN (AT)

Course overview:
In this first introductory course, the basic principles of nutrition are reviewed.
First, the anatomy and physiology of the digestive tract, digestion and nutrient absorption are reviewed plus the differences between species. Links between the digestive tract and nutrition and other organ systems, and the intestinal microbiome will be shown.

Second, the nutritional consultation in small animal practice, history of the patient, common mistakes, different types of feeding and common myths about production and commercial food, (including a factory visit). The students will learn and practice the evaluation of history and filtering the most important parameters for the patient.

Understanding the food industry and regulations, knowledge of Quality Management, food production, declaration and choosing the right way of feeding and finding the right product for the patient. (healthy pets, different lifestages; special needs like reproduction or sports; important diseases like renal insufficiency, urolithiasis, gastrointestinal and dermatological problems etc.)

Practical exercises and workshops like evaluating the feeding history, Body Condition Scoring, interpretation of labelling etc. will be integrated every day. Case studies from various experts will be presented and evaluated with the students.

Also, basic knowledge of feeding rabbits, rodents, birds and exotic patients will be part of the course.

Learning outcomes:
• At the end of the course, participants will:
  • have profound knowledge about nutrients and digestion
  • be able to approach a nutritional consultation and evaluate a feeding history
  • be able to find the right feeding method going hand in hand with the medical treatment and communicate the main points to the pet owner, and be able to find the right product / calculate the needs for the best treatment of the patient
  • have profound knowledge about legislation and nutritional science and be able to evaluate food labels critically

Tuition fee: 2.350.-*
(early registration: EURO 2.250.- *
(deadline for FULL early registration payment: 21.11.2022)
Total hours: 40
ATF hours (Austria, Germany, Luxembourg, Switzerland): TBA
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ONCOLOGY

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Dr. Martin Kessler, DECVIM-CA (DE)

Course overview:
Over the past decade, our knowledge of cancer in animals has increased rapidly. More and more veterinarians and clients are becoming open-minded about treating canine and feline cancer patients. “Oncology I” (2020) will start with the diagnostic approach to the cancer patient, including biopsy taking, staging procedures, diagnostic imaging options as well as several practical cytology sessions. Further, there will be a detailed discussion of the 3 main treatment options (surgery, radiation therapy, chemotherapy) and of novel cancer drugs (e.g. tyrosine kinase inhibitors (Palladia™, Masivet™), Stelfonta™, metronomic chemotherapy). Management of side effects will be explained and safe handling of chemotherapeutic drugs will be practiced hands-on.

“Oncology I” will address neoplasms of the skin and adnexal structures in detail as they are the most common tumours in clinical practice. A major emphasis of the course will be on interactive and case oriented work using a systematic approach to the cancer patient including recognizing symptoms, interpreting radiographic findings, choosing correct staging procedures and formulating a therapeutic plan.

“Oncology I” will start from scratch and provide a very solid basis of oncological principles and skin tumours. It is ideal for veterinarians with little or no previous knowledge in veterinary oncology, but also suitable for people, who want to deepen their understanding. This course includes both medical and surgical oncology (including surgical techniques) and is therefore ideal for candidates interested in either or both.

“Oncology II” and “Oncology III” will build up on this seminar and address all the remaining tumour systems in great detail. As in Oncology I, there will be a major focus on interactive case management and there will be a balance between both medical and surgical oncology.

Oncology I is mandatory before continuing on to the next courses. Oncology II and Oncology III can be taken in any order. Oncology IV can be taken only after completion of all Oncology modules.

Tuition fee: 2.450.-*

* eLibrary access is included in the course fee
Program Director/Principal Course Master:
Dr. Jarno Schmidt MRCVS, DECVIM-CA (DE)

Course Masters:
Dr. Laurent Findji, DECVS (UK)
Dr. Martin Kessler, DECVIM-CA (DE)

Course overview:
Oncology II builds up on Oncology I and addresses some of the most common canine and feline tumours including haematopoietic neoplasms (e.g. lymphoma) and oral, gastrointestinal, pancreatic & hepatosplenic tumours. There will be a wet-lab microscopy session practicing blood and lymph node cytology. A major emphasis of the course will again be on understanding how to systematically approach a patient with cancer. There will be lots of interactive and case oriented work using a rational approach including recognizing symptoms, interpreting radiographic findings, choosing correct staging procedures and formulating a therapeutic plan.

Oncology I is mandatory before continuing on to the next courses. Oncology II and Oncology III can be taken in any order. Oncology IV can be taken only after completion of all Oncology modules.

Topics
- Tumours of the skeletal system
- Oral tumours
- Salivary gland tumours
- Gastrointestinal tumours
- Hepatosplenic tumours
- Abdominal surgery and abdominal oncologic emergencies
- Lymphoma (from basics to advanced concepts)
- Other haematopoietic tumours
- Bone marrow neoplasia
- Melanomas and immunotherapy (incl. tumour vaccines)
- Practical cytology (lymph node, blood smears, other)
- Interactive case management

Tuition fee: 2.450.-*

Early registration: EURO 2.350.-* (deadline for FULL early registration payment: 24.03.2023)

Total hours: 40
ATF hours (Austria, Germany, Luxembourg, Switzerland): TBA
ECTS credits (Master & Certificate): 5

* eLibrary access is included in the course fee
Program Director/Principal Course Master:
Dr. Jarno Schmidt MRCVS, DECVIM-CA (DE)

Course Masters:
Dr. Maurice Zandvliet, DECVIM-CA (NL)
Dr. Laurent Findji, DECVS (UK)

Course overview:
Oncology III builds up on Oncology I&II and address a variety of highly interesting neoplasms including tumours of the respiratory and urogenital tract as well as ocular, auricular, endocrine and miscellaneous intrathoracic tumours. There will be lots of interactive and case oriented work using a systematic approach to the cancer patient. This includes recognizing symptoms, interpreting radiographic & cytological findings, choosing appropriate staging procedures and formulating a therapeutic plan.

Oncology I is mandatory before continuing on to the next courses. Oncology II and Oncology III can be taken in any order. Oncology IV can be taken only after completion of all Oncology modules.

Topics
- Nasal & thoracic tumours (& thoracic surgery)
- Genitourinary tumours & mammary tumours
- Endocrine neoplasia
- Ocular, ear and CNS tumours
- Miscellaneous tumours
- Challenging cases & case Reviews

Tuition fee: 2.450.-*

Early registration: EURO 2.350.-*
(Deadline for FULL early registration payment: 29.03.2023)

Total hours: 40
ATF hours (Austria, Germany, Luxembourg, Switzerland): TBA
ECTS credits (Master & Certificate): 5

* eLibrary access is included in the course fee
Program Director/Principal Course Master: Dr. Jarno Schmidt MRCVS, DECVIM-CA (DE)
Course Masters: TBA

Important notes and requirements:
1. Oncology IV can be taken only after completion of ESAVS Oncology modules Oncology I-III. For this course participants are required to have an intermediate understanding of oncology and cytology. Students will work-up cases independently, in small groups and/or in plenary sessions.
2. Prof. Meichner will teach online from the USA on days 2-5. Students are expected to home-study a prerecorded bone marrow lecture from Prof. Meichner in order to familiarise themselves with the principles of bone marrow cytology before the course.
3. Cytology will be provided online (Prof. Meichner) and in the form of cytology videos and pictures (Dr. Schmidt). There will be no microscopes. Since this is an advanced course, students are already familiar with the use of a microscope. To ensure optimal image resolution for the online cytology and to access imaging and cytology videos for case management sessions with Dr. Schmidt, everyone must bring a laptop (and if necessary a travel adaptor for Germany) that can connect to the internet. Headphones are highly recommended to follow Prof. Meichner’s sessions.
4. Some course material related to case management will only be available in print after the session!

Course overview:
Oncology IV builds up on Oncology I-III and will focus on interactive case management of interesting and/or more complex cancer cases. It will cover current and/or more advanced topics such as, for example, cytology of neoplastic diseases in internal organs, bone tumours, bone marrow cytology, sentinel lymph node mapping, communication in cancer care and decision making skills. For this course participants are required to have an intermediate understanding of oncology and cytology. Students will work-up cases independently, in small groups and/or in plenary sessions.

Tuition fee: 2.450.-*

Early registration: EURO 2.350.-*
(deadline for FULL early registration payment: 12.06.2023)
Total hours: 40
ATF hours (Austria, Germany, Luxembourg, Switzerland): TBA
ECTS credits (Master & Certificate): 5

* eLibrary access is included in the course fee
Program Director/Principal Course Master:
Prof. Simon Pot, Dipl. ACVO, Dipl. ECVO

Course Masters:
Dr. Jean-Yves Douet (FR)
Dr. Sandra Sanchís Mora (ES)
Dr. David Gould (UK)
Dr. Stephen Smith (UK)
Prof. Dr. Holger Volk (DE)
Prof. Dr. Patrick Kircher (CH)
Dr. Màrian Matas (ES)
Dr. Maria Kaukonen (FI)
Dr Carolina Naranjo (ES)
Dr. Esther Torrent (ES)

Course overview:
The first module is lecture based and deals with the pathology of disease, its diagnosis and medical treatment.
Topics cover clinical examination, diagnostic imaging, neuro-ophthalmology, conditions of the eyelids, orbital disease, conjunctival disease, the lacrimal system, cornea, lens, uvea and retina.

Topics:
• Clinical Examination including a practical lab
• Diagnostic Imaging
• Eyelids
• Ocular Anaesthesia
• Conjunctival Disease
• The Lacrimal System
• Neuroophthalmology
• Orbit, Cornea, Lens
• Ocular Pathology
• Pharmacology
• Microsurgery
• Avian Ophthalmology
• Rabbit Ophthalmology
• Uvea, Retina
• Case Histories

Early course: tuition fee: 3.350.-*
Early registration: EURO 3.250.-*
(deadline for FULL early registration payment: 06.11.2022)

Late course: tuition fee: 3.450.-*
Early registration: EURO 3.350.-*
(deadline for FULL early registration payment: 15.05.2023)

Further course details:
Total hours: 40
ATF hours (Austria, Germany, Luxembourg, Switzerland): TBA
ECTS credits (Master & Certificate): 5

* eLibrary access is included in the course fee
Principal Course Master:  
Dr. Jean-Yves Douet ENVT (FR)  
Course Masters:  
TBA  

Course overview:  
The second module is primarily a surgical wet lab, but also includes practical instruction on cytology pathology. Participants of this advanced course are introduced to the rules of microsurgery, the equipment necessary to perform microsurgery and the various surgical techniques employed in the treatment of ocular diseases in small animals.  

Topics:  
- Microsurgical techniques  
- Eyelid surgery  
- Corneal surgery  
- Lens surgery  
- Glaucoma surgery

Tuition fee: 3,450.-*  
Early registration: EURO 3,350.-*  
(deadline for FULL early registration payment: 30.01.2023)  

Total hours: 40  
ATF hours (Austria, Germany, Luxembourg, Switzerland): TBA  
ECTS credits (Master & Certificate): 5  

* eLibrary access is included in the course fee
Program Director:
Univ. Prof. Dr. Gilles Dupré DECVS (FR/AT)

Principal Course Master:
Dr. Eva Schnabl-Feichter, DECVS (AT)

Course Master:
Dr. Julia Knebel, DECVS (DE)

Instructors:
PD. Dr. Barbara Bockstahler, DACVSMR (AT),
Ass. Prof. Dr. Ilse Schwendenwein, DECVP (AT),
Ass. Prof. Dr. Katharina Hittmair (AT),
Dr. Stefanie Handl, DECVCN (AT),
Prof. Dr. Sabine Breit (AT),
Prof. Dr. Eberhard Ludewig, DECVDI (AT)

Course overview:
This veterinary orthopaedic course is designed for practitioners willing to improve their knowledge in small animals’ orthopaedic diseases. The course will offer veterinarians 5 ECTS points for the Certificate or Master Program in Small Animal Surgery. The first week of the orthopaedic curriculum will concentrate on diagnosing the lame patient: the functional anatomy of the musculoskeletal system, normal and abnormal gait, how and when to use diagnostic imaging modalities at best, degenerative and inflammatory joint diseases like Osteoarthrosis and musculoskeletal diseases in the growing dog.

Learning outcomes:
At the end of the course the participant of this course shall be able to:
1. recognize and characterize lameness in the dog
2. choose the right diagnostic modality and be able to interpret the results
3. know about treatment of OA in dogs

Tuition fee: 3.000.-*
Early registration: EURO 2.900.-* (deadline for FULL early registration payment: 01.11.2022)
Total hours: 40
ATF hours (Austria, Germany, Luxembourg, Switzerland): TBA
ECTS credits (Master & Certificate): 5

* eLibrary access is included in the course fee
Program Director:
Univ. Prof. Dr. Gilles Dupré DECVS (FR/AT)

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ORTHOPAEDICS I
낭 Online, 23 – 25 November 2023
📍 Vienna / Austria, 30 November – 1 December 2023

Tuition fee: 3.000.-*

Early registration: EURO 2.900.-*
( deadline for FULL early registration payment: 08.06.2023)

Total hours: 40
ATF hours (Austria, Germany, Luxembourg, Switzerland): TBA
ECTS credits (Master & Certificate): 5

* eLibrary access is included in the course fee
Program Director:
Univ. Prof. Dr. Gilles Dupré DECVS (FR/AT)

Principal Course Master:
Dr. Eva Schnabl-Feichter, DECVS (AT)

Course Masters:
Dr. Aldo Vezzoni, DECVS (IT)
Dr. Luca Vezzoni, DECVS (IT)

Course overview:
This module focuses on hind limb orthopaedic diseases and surgeries. For each joint (hip, stifle and tarsus) an anatomic review, etiology and current knowledge about state of the art treatment options including surgical techniques (hip toggle, iliofemoral sling, extracapsular sutures, Achilles tendon repair etc.) will be presented and trained. The TPLO (tibial plateau leveling osteotomy) will be trained more in detail on plastic and cadaveric bones. More advanced surgical techniques like the DPO (double pelvic osteotomy) or THR (total hip replacement) will be demonstrated only.

Ortho I is mandatory before continuing with Ortho II.

Learning outcomes:
At the end of the course participant shall:
1. possess the current knowledge to come to a final diagnosis;
2. be aware of the current state of the art methods of treatment;
3. master common surgical techniques and do or refer more complicated or advanced cases.

Tuition fee: 3.000.-*

Early registration: EURO 2.900.-*
(deadline for FULL early registration payment: 20.11.2022)

Total hours: 40
ATF hours (Austria, Germany, Luxembourg, Switzerland): TBA
ECTS credits (Master & Certificate): 5

* eLibrary access is included in the course fee
Program Director:
Univ. Prof. Dr. Gilles Dupré DECVS (FR/AT)

Principal Course Master:
Dr. Eva Schnabl-Feichter, DECVS (AT)

Course Masters:
Prof. Dr. Peter Böttcher DECVS (DE)
Priv. Doz. Dr. Barbara Bockstahler (AT)
Ass.-Prof. Dr. Britta Vidoni (AT)

Course overview:
This module focuses on forelimb orthopaedic diseases (shoulder joint, elbow joint, carpal joint, tendon and muscular injuries). Participants will learn about the anatomy, etiology, how to diagnose the disease and current knowledge about treatment options (conservative and surgery). For each anatomic location common open surgical techniques will be presented and trained. One day in lab will be devoted to minimally invasive surgery eg. arthroscopy of the elbow and shoulder joint.

Ortho I is mandatory before continuing with Ortho III.

Learning outcomes:
At the end of the course, participants shall
1. possess the current knowledge to come to a final diagnosis;
2. be aware of the current state of the art methods of treatment;
3. master common surgical techniques and do or refer more complicated or advanced cases.

Tuition fee: 3.000.-*

Early registration: EURO 2.900.-*
(deadline for FULL early registration payment: 29.03.2023)

Total hours: 40
ATF hours (Austria, Germany, Luxembourg, Switzerland): TBA
ECTS credits (Master & Certificate): 5

* eLibrary access is included in the course fee
Program Director / Principal Course Master:
Univ. Prof. Dr. Gilles Dupré DECVS (FR/AT)

Course Masters:
Dr. Gabriele Gradner Dipl. ECVS (AT)
Dr. Fergus Allerton Dipl. ECVIM-CA MRCVS (UK)
Dr. Nikola Katic Dipl. ECVS (AT)
Dr. Laurent Findji, Dipl. ECVS (FR/UK)
Dr. Simona Vincenti, Dipl. ECVS (CH)

Course overview:
This course focuses on the basic principles of surgery, tissue handling, knotting techniques and general abdominal and gastro-intestinal surgery.

Learning outcomes:
At the end of the course, participants
1. shall be able to apply atraumatic surgery principles on all occasions;
2. master current abdominal surgeries principles and techniques;
3. have changed paradigm, not trying anymore to know “how” but “why”.

Tuition fee: 3.150.–*
Early registration: EURO 3.050.–*
(courses 1 - deadline for FULL early registration payment: 23.10.2022)
(courses 2 - deadline for FULL early registration payment: 01.11.2022)
(courses 3 - deadline for FULL early registration payment: 01.11.2022)
(courses 4 - deadline for FULL early registration payment: 08.03.2023)
(courses 5 - deadline for FULL early registration payment: 02.05.2023)
Total hours: 40
ATF hours (Austria, Germany, Luxembourg, Switzerland): TBA
ECTS credits (Master & Certificate): 5

* eLibrary access is included in the course fee
Program Director / Principal Course Master:
Univ. Prof. Dr. Gilles Dupré DECVS (FR/AT)

Course Master:
Dr. Laurent Findji DECVS (FR/UK)

Course overview:
The ESAVS Soft Tissue Surgery courses are dedicated to veterinarians in practice or in the academic field who are willing to deepen their knowledge in soft tissue surgery. The comprehensive study program consists currently of 4 one-week modules. Each course is composed of a mix of theory and practice on models and cadavers. Much time is dedicated to interactive and practical training under the supervision of course masters and instructors, who are all internationally recognized European or American specialists.

After attending the whole program, participants shall have acquired sufficient knowledge not only to face most of the current clinical situations but also to further progress by themselves and then recognize the cases that need to be referred to specialists.

STS I (Soft Tissue Surgery I) is mandatory before continuing on to the next courses. STS II, III and IV can be taken in any order. It is recommended to take STS V only after completion of the previous courses.

This module focuses on two important topics of soft tissue surgery: On one hand the skin reconstruction techniques, and on the other one surgery of the perineal and anal region.

Learning outcomes:
At the end of the course, participants shall
1. possess the current knowledge about principles of wound care;
2. master most of the skin reconstruction techniques;
3. have a sound anatomical knowledge of perineal and perianal region;
4. master surgical techniques as anal sac removal, perineal hernia repair and rectal surgery.

Tuition fee: 3.150.-*

- Early registration: EURO 3.050.-*
- (early course: deadline for FULL early registration payment: 01.11.2022)
- (late course: deadline for FULL early registration payment: 02.01.2023)
- Total hours: 40
- ATF hours (Austria, Germany, Luxembourg, Switzerland): TBA
- ECTS credits (Master & Certificate): 5

* eLibrary access is included in the course fee
Program Director:
Univ. Prof. Dr. Gilles Dupré DECVS (FR/AT)
Principal Course Master:
Dr. Laurent Findji, DECVS (UK)
Course Master:
Dr. Vicky Lipscomb, DECVS (UK)

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STS I (Soft Tissue Surgery I) is mandatory before continuing on to the next courses. STS II, III and IV can be taken in any order. It is recommended to take STS V only after completion of the previous courses.

Soft Tissue Surgery III:
During this course, we will concentrate on more advanced abdominal surgeries. After reviewing the indications and techniques for current urinary tract surgery, we will address the surgical treatments of urinary incontinence and urinary tract trauma. The second part of the course will focus on liver and gallbladder surgery as well as on pancreas and adrenals.

Learning Outcomes:
At the end of the course, participants
1. shall master most of the urinary tract surgical techniques;
2. get a sound knowledge of management of urinary incontinence;
3. have acquired a good understanding of liver surgery including porto-systemic shunt;
4. be able to operate or refer advanced pancreas or adrenal surgeries.

SOFT TISSUE SURGERY III
Cremona / Italy, 15 – 19 May 2023
Lisbon / Portugal, 19 – 23 June 2023

Tuition fee: 3.150.-*
Early registration: EURO 3.050.-*
(early course: deadline for FULL early registration payment: 01.01.2023)
(late course: deadline for FULL early registration payment: 05.06.2023)
Total hours: 40
ATF hours (Austria, Germany, Luxembourg, Switzerland): TBA
ECTS credits (Master & Certificate): 5

* eLibrary access is included in the course fee
Program Director / Principal Course Master:
Univ. Prof. Dr. Gilles Dupré DECVS (FR/AT)

Course Master:
Dr. Gert ter Haar DECVS (NL)

Course overview:
Important note: For this STS IV Head and Neck course, participants will have the opportunity to work in groups of 2 per surgical table ensuring an individual and intensive learning experience.

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After attending the whole program, participants shall have acquired sufficient knowledge not only to face most of the current clinical situations but also to further progress by themselves and then recognize the cases that need to be referred to specialists.

STS I (Soft Tissue Surgery I) is mandatory before continuing on to the next courses. STS II, III and IV can be taken in any order. It is recommended to take STS V only after completion of the previous courses.

Soft Tissue Surgery IV:
This course is dedicated exclusively to head and neck surgery. A strong focus will be put on upper airways and ear surgeries. However, topics as salivary mucoceles, thyroid and parathyroid diseases and surgeries will also be covered.

Learning outcomes:
At the end of the course, participants

1. shall have acquired a profound knowledge of upper airways anatomy and its relevance for treatment of diseases like Brachycephalic syndrome, laryngeal paralysis and tracheal collapse;
2. shall master a clear decision-making process for ear surgeries;
3. shall be able to perform external ear surgeries and to operate or refer middle-ear ones;
4. have become confident in treating salivary mucoceles and surgical diseases of thyroid and parathyroid.

Tuition fee: 3.150.-*

Early registration: EURO 3.050.-*
(early course: deadline for FULL early registration payment: 23.10.2022)
(late course: deadline for FULL early registration payment: 27.03.2023)
Total hours: 40
ATF hours (Austria, Germany, Luxembourg, Switzerland): TBA
ECTS credits (Master & Certificate): 5

* eLibrary access is included in the course fee
Program Director / Principal Course Master:
Univ. Prof. Dr. Gilles Dupré DECVS (FR/AT)

Course Masters:
Dr. Hervé Brissot Dipl. ECVS (FR)
Dr. Bart van Goethem Dipl. ECVS (BE)

Course overview:
The ESAVS Soft Tissue Surgery – Laparoscopy course is dedicated to experienced practitioners, diplomates, residents and faculty members wishing to start with laparoscopic surgery. A strong focus will be made on practical exercises with dry labs on models and ex-vivo organs and wet labs on dogs’ cadavers, anesthetized pigs and finally real surgery on dogs.

All procedures on anesthetized animal will respect the most advanced animal welfare guidelines. The dogs will be brought back to where they belong (shelters or owners).

Learning outcomes:
At the end of the course, participants
1. shall have a profound knowledge on the pros and cons of mini-invasive surgery and the most common indications;
2. shall be able to plan and organize a mini-invasive setting in their clinic;
3. shall be able to perform at least most common elective surgeries.

Tuition fee: 3.750.-*
Early registration: EURO 3.650.-* (early course: deadline for FULL early registration payment: 21.11.2022)
Total hours: 40
ATF hours (Austria, Germany, Luxembourg, Switzerland): TBA
ECTS credits (Master & Certificate): 5

* eLibrary access is included in the course fee
Program Director/Principal Course Master:
Univ. Prof. Dr. Gilles Dupré DECVS (FR/AT)
Course Master:
TBA

Course overview:
The ESAVS Soft tissue Surgery courses are dedicated to veterinarians in practice or in academic willing to deepen their knowledge in soft tissue surgery. The comprehensive study program consists currently of 7 one-week modules, respectively Soft Tissue Surgery I to V, Feline soft tissue surgery, Laparoscopy. Additional stand-alone programs might also be offered...

Each course is composed of a mix of applied theory and practice on models and/or cadavers. Much time is dedicated to interactive and practical training under the supervision of course masters and instructors, all internationally recognized European or American specialists. Unlike other surgery courses given over a succession of 2 days-period, the ESAVS ‘course organization in weeks guarantees that what you learned and what you practiced remains engraved in your mind and in your hands. Join us and have fun while making huge progresses in surgery.

After attending the whole program, participants shall have acquired sufficient knowledge not only to face most of the current clinical situations but also to further progress by themselves and/or recognize the cases that need to be referred to specialists. More on certificates and master program is to be found on the Home-page.

STS I (Soft Tissue Surgery I) is to be taken before taking any other one. Even the best experienced practitioner will re-discover the very heart and practice of surgery, thanks to the training achieved in the STS I. The other STS courses, STSII, III and IV can be taken in any order. STS V is recommended to those who have already taken at least two STS courses, or their equivalent.

Learning outcomes:
At the end of the course, participants
1. shall have acquired a profound knowledge of thoracic cavity anatomy;
2. shall be able to perform lung lobectomies and pericardiectomy;
3. have a better understanding of the cardio-respiratory physiology relevant to anaesthesia to the thoracic patient.

Tuition fee: TBA
Early registration: TBA
(early course: deadline for FULL early registration payment: TBA)
Total hours: 40
ATF hours (Austria, Germany, Luxembourg, Switzerland): TBA
ECTS credits (Master & Certificate): 5

* eLibrary access is included in the course fee
Each course is supervised by course masters (tutors) who are specialists of high repute. Over 500 course masters and speakers from 55 countries have been involved in the training programs of the ESAVS so far. They have been carefully selected by the ESAVS for their excellent qualifications, experience and teaching skills.

The full list of the ESAVS course masters and speakers is available on the website: www.esavs.eu.
Dr. Katja Adamik (CH)
Dipl. ACVECC, Dipl. ECVECC

European Veterinary Specialist in Emergency and Critical Care. Member of European College of Veterinary Emergency and Critical Care. 2002: Graduation in Veterinary Medicine at the Free University of Berlin, Berlin, Germany. 2002-2006: Intern/Assistant in the Clinic of Small Animals, Faculty of Veterinary Medicine, Free University of Berlin, Berlin, Germany. 2006: Doctor of Veterinary Medicine at the Free University of Berlin, Berlin, Germany. 2006–2009: Residency ACVECC at Vetsuisse Faculty, University of Bern, Switzerland, Department of Clinical Veterinary Medicine. 2007–2010: Faculty in Emergency and Critical Care Service, at Ludwig-Maximilians-University Munich, Germany. 2011: Diplomate ACVECC. Since January 2011 until now: Faculty and head of the Emergency and Critical Care Section Small Animal Clinic, Vetsuisse Faculty, University of Bern, Switzerland. Since 2014: Honorary Secretary of EVECCS General Board/Executive Committee. Since 2015: Chair of the EVECCS scil Research grant committee.

Dr. Edoardo Auriemma (IT)
Dipl. ECVDI


Prof. Dr. Paul Barthez (FR)
Dipl. ACVR

**Dr. Irene Bruckner (AT)**

**specialist in veterinary nutrition and dietetics**

Irene Bruckner studied at the University of Veterinary Medicine Vienna. She worked in different small animal practices and societies for animal protection before she joined Royal Canin in 2008, where she is still working part time as Scientific Communication Expert. Irene is veterinary expert in nutrition and dietetics (Fachtierarzt) and academically certified cynologist and has years of experience in teaching and training.

**Dr. Sarah Caney (UK)**

**BVSc PhD DSAM(Feline) MRCVS**

Dr. Sarah Caney, CEO of Vet Professionals has worked as a feline-only vet for more than twenty years. She is a University of Bristol graduate and also completed her feline medicine residency and PhD at this institution. Sarah spent four years as a lecturer in feline medicine before leaving to pursue a career in private practice. Sarah has always enjoyed seeing a mixture of first opinion and referral feline medicine patients and has a particular interest in geriatric feline medicine. Sarah is internationally recognised as one of only thirteen veterinary specialists in feline medicine in the UK. Sarah founded Vet Professionals in 2009 and has authored and co-authored a number of the Vet Professionals ‘Caring for a cat’ series of books. Sarah has published widely in prestigious international journals and has been an invited speaker to veterinary conferences around the world. Sarah has worked for many years with the UK cat charity, International Cat Care (ICC) and the International Society of Feline Medicine.

**Dr. Francesco Cian (IT)**

**Dipl. ECVCP FRCPath MRCVS**

Francesco qualified from University of Padua (Italy) with a DVM in 2006. He spent the next 4 years in small animal practice. In 2010, he started a residency program in Clinical Pathology at the University of Cambridge, which he finished in 2013 attaining both an ECVCP and FRCPath diploma. Francesco joined the Animal Health Trust in 2013 as Head of Clinical Pathology, and from September 2015 works for Battlab.
Dr. Oriol Domenech (IT)
Dipl. ECVIM-CA

Graduated 1996. From 1996 to 1997 worked as a general practitioner (Spain). From 1997 to 1999 performed the three cardiology courses. From 1998 to 2000 worked as a chief of the cardiology department. From 2000 to 2001 internship training period in Milan, Italy. From 2001 to 2004 residency program from ECVIM-CA (cardiology). From 2006 to 2011 worked as a specialist in Italy and Spain. From 2011 he is the chief of the cardiology department at the “Istituto Veterinario di Novara”, Italy. Member of the examination committee and member of the credentials committee of the ECVIM-CA for the speciality of cardiology. From 2014 he is the director of a ECVIM-CA (cardiology) residency program at the “Istituto Veterinario di Novara”.

Dr. Jean-Yves Douet (FR)
Dipl. DESV


Prof. Dr. Gilles Dupré (AT)
Dipl. ECVS

Prof. Dr. Gilles Dupré graduated from Maisons-Alfort veterinary school in 1980. Afterwards he was an assistant in the surgical department for 2 years at the same veterinary school in France. Gilles Dupré completed his residency in small animal surgery at the Ohio State University, USA. For 17 years he was the co-head of surgical department of the referral and emergency hospital – “Clinique Frégis” and for 6 years Gilles Dupre was the president of the surgical group of the CNVSPA/AFVAC association (French VÖK). Prof. Dr. Gilles Dupre is a Diplomate of the European College of Veterinary Surgeons. Since 2005 he is the head of the department of small animal surgery at Veterinary University of Vienna, Austria. Gilles Dupre is the author of a large number of publications, 14 books and many book chapters and is often invited as guest speaker to international meetings and conferences.
Dr. Eva Eberspächer-Schweda (AT)
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Prof. Dr. Lluís Ferrer (SP)
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Lluís Ferrer obtained his DVM degree at the University of Zaragoza - Spain (1981) and a MSc in Animal Pathology and a PhD at the Veterinary School of Hannover (Germany) in 1985. Since 1985 he has been lecturing Pathology and Dermatology at the Veterinary School of the Universitat Autonoma de Barcelona (UAB, Spain). In 1994 he was Board-Certified Dermatologist by the European College of Veterinary Dermatology. Between 2012 and 2017 he was Professor of Dermatology at the Cummings School of Veterinary Medicine at Tufts University, in Boston, Massachusetts (USA) and in 2018 he came back to the UAB. Among other topics, his investigations have been focused on canine leishmaniasis, demodicosis, atopic dermatitis and on the genetic background of the skin diseases.

Dr. Laurent Findji (UK)
Dipl. ECVS

Dr. Jerzy Gawor (PL)
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April 1992 Graduation from Faculty of Veterinary Medicine, Academy of Agriculture in Wroclaw/PL. 1993 partner in private practice ARKA in Kraków, achieved status of Vet. Clinic in 2004. 1996/1997 PhD and specialist in Veterinary Surgery. 2015 Diplomate of the American Veterinary Dental College (DAVDC) & European Veterinary Dental College (DEVDC). Since 1990 lecturing in the Veterinary Faculty as a part of the Polish veterinary medicine education program. From 2003 leading the Pet Smile Campaign in Poland on behalf of the Dental Working group of the PSAVA. His main field of professional activity is dentistry, head and neck surgery and oncology. Currently President Elect of Federation of European Companion Animal Veterinary Association (FECAVA). Former President of Polish Small Animal Veterinary Association and as President of European Veterinary Dental Society.

Prof. Dr. Tony Glaus (DE)
Dipl. ACVIM, Dipl. ECVIM-CA


Prof. Dr. Jens Häggström (SE)
Dipl. ECVIM

Jens Häggström completed his basic veterinary training 1990. He earned his Doctorate degree in 1996 with a thesis concerning myxomatous mitral valve disease in dogs. He became an Associate Professor in Uppsala in the year 2000, and in 2003 he became full Professor in Internal Medicine. Jens Häggström is author and co-author of a large number of original papers in internationally distributed peer-viewed Journals, Congress abstracts and Textbook chapters, including the 2000 and 2005 Editions of Ettinger and Feldman’s “Textbook of Veterinary Internal Medicine”. His main interests in research concerns mitral valve disease in dogs, pathophysiology of heart failure, and therapy of heart failure. He is a Diplomate of ECVIM and is the past President of the Cardiology Specialty Group.
Stefanie Handl graduated in 2002 from the University of Veterinary Medicine Vienna. She received her doctorate degree in 2005 and started working as research assistant at the Institute of Animal Nutrition at the University of Veterinary Medicine Vienna. She spent 1.5 years at the Gastrointestinal Laboratory at Texas A&M University and completed her Residency from ECVCN in 2011. In 2013, she opened a practice for small animal nutrition consulting in Vienna. Stefanie is active in post graduate training of veterinarians in pet nutrition, she is lecturer at the University of Veterinary Medicine Vienna and co-editor in chief of the Journal of Animal Physiology an Animal Nutrition. In 2022, she published her first book on dog nutrition.

Dr. Nikola Katic (AT)
Dipl. DECVS

Dr Katic is a diplomate of European College of Veterinary Surgeons. He is a consummate small animal surgeon with special emphasis on minimal invasive surgery. He graduated from University of Veterinary Medicine Vienna in 2002 where he subsequently completed his doctoral thesis and the ECVS residency program. He served as a senior lecturer in small animal surgery at the University of Veterinary Medicine Vienna before he changed into private practice.

He currently holds the position of chief of surgery at AniCura Tierklinik Hollabrunn, which is one of the busiest referral clinics in Austria. He is the first author and co-author of various publications in the field of small animal surgery and regularly takes part as speaker and instructor on different national and international conferences and courses.

Dr. Martin Kessler (DE)
Dipl. ECVIM-CA

1985-1991: study of Veterinary Medicine Ludwig-Maximilians University Munich (Germany) and Ohio State University, Columbus (Ohio), USA. 1991-1993: Small Animal Internship at The Ohio State University, Columbus (Ohio), USA. 1993: Doctorate thesis wins the “Robert S. Brodey award” of the American Veterinary Cancer Society for outstanding basic research. 1993-1997: Postdoctorate fellow at the Dept. of Veterinary Surgery, Ludwig-Maximilians University Munich (Germany), since 1997: partner and co-owner of Hofheim Veterinary Hospital near Frankfurt, Germany; specialized in medical and surgical oncology. Editor of the German textbook „Kleintieronkologie” [Small animal oncology]. Author of the oncology chapter in the German textbook “Praktikum der Hundeklinik” [Canine medicine]. Vice-president of the European Society of Veterinary Oncology (ESVONC) from 2002-2008: Member of the German veterinary oncology specialist group. Lecture assignment for clinical oncology at the Veterinary faculty of the University in Giessen, Germany
Prof. Dr. Patrick Kircher (CH)
Dipl. ECVDI

Dr. Patrick Kircher graduated from the University of Bern in 1996 and then started to work as an assistant at the large animal clinic at the same Faculty. He wrote there his doctoral thesis on porcine diseases. In 2000 he changed to participate in the internship program at the small animal clinic in Bern. In 2001 he started his combined residency/PhD program in diagnostic imaging at the faculty of veterinary medicine in Bern. In 2005 he got the Diploma of the European College of Veterinary Diagnostic Imaging. Since 2006-2009 he works as an assistant professor at the section of clinical radiology of the Berne faculty. Since 2009 professor at the University of Zurich. Currently: Head of Section of Diagnostic Imaging of the Vetsuisse Faculty in Zurich/Switzerland. Dr. Kircher’s main interest is gastrointestinal ultrasound (the main topic of his PhD-thesis), with special research field regarding gastrointestinal blood flow.

Dr. Dr. Hans Kooistra (NL)
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Dr. Giuseppe Lacava (IT)
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Giuseppe graduated from Bari University in 2008. From 2008 to 2010 he worked and completed a year of rotating-internship at the private practice Clinica Veterinaria Malpensa. In 2011 he completed a year of internship in Diagnostic Imaging at the Istituto Veterinario di Novara. In 2012 he enrolled in a residency program in Diagnostic Imaging (ECVDI) at the Istituto Veterinario di Novara, under the supervision of Dr Edoardo Aurienma. Visitor at the Department of Diagnostic Imaging of the Ontario Veterinary College and Montreal University (Canada) and Liege University (Belgium). Speaker in national continuing education courses. Winner of the Resident Travel Award at the ECVDI congress in 2014 (Utrecht). In september 2015 he passed the first part of the board exam for the ECVDI diploma.
Dr. Vicky Lipscomb (UK)
Dipl. ECVS

Vicky graduated from Cambridge University in 1996 and has spent time in both general and specialist referral practice in the UK. Vicky undertook an internship and surgical residency training at the Royal Veterinary College in London, becoming a Diplomate of the European College of Veterinary Surgery in 2002. Vicky returned the RVC as a Lecturer in 2003, where she is currently Associate Professor, Head of Soft Tissue Surgery and Deputy Director of the Queen Mother Hospital for Animals. Vicky’s clinical interests extend to all aspects of soft tissue surgery and her major research interests include the investigation and treatment of congenital portosystemic shunts in dogs and cats.

Prof. Dr. Reto Neiger (DE)
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Reto Neiger gained a Swiss Veterinary degree in 1988 and after finishing his Dr.med.vet-degree he completed an internship and residency in Internal Medicine in Bern, Switzerland and Louisiana, USA. His PhD was about canine and feline Helicobacter infections at the human teaching hospital in Bern. From 1999 to 2003 Reto Neiger was a lecturer at the Royal Veterinary College in London, UK and from 2003 to 2016 he was Professor and head of the Small Animal Internal Medicine Department of the University in Giessen, Germany. Since 2017 he is working as internal medicine specialist in the German largest private small animal clinic in Hofheim. He is a Diplomate of the American and European College of Veterinary Internal Medicine. He was a President of the Annual ECVIM-CA Congress 2005.

Prof. Dr. Anna Oevermann (CH)
Dipl. ECVP

Anna Oevermann is professor of veterinary neuropathology at the University of Bern. She studied veterinary medicine at the Justus-Liebig University, Gießen (Germany) and the École Vétérinaire de Nantes (France). Anna Oevermann obtained her DVM at the University of Zurich (Switzerland) and worked as a practitioner in a small animal practice in Pistoia (Italy) before performing a residency in veterinary pathology at the Institute of Animal Pathology, University of Bern. After obtaining the Dipl. ECVP in 2006 she joined the Division of Neurological Sciences at the University of Bern to specialize in neuropathology.
Dr. Lisette Overduin (NL)
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Dr. Charly Pignon (FR)
Dipl. ECZM

Charly Pignon has graduated in 2005 from Alfort National Veterinary School (France) and did his veterinary thesis on a wildlife conservation project in Cambodia. Then he worked in the wildlife rescue center in Alfort and worked in Paris Zoo (la Ménagerie du Jardin des Plantes). In 2009, Charly Pignon completed an Exotic Medicine Internship at Tufts University and when he came back to France he created the Exotic Medicine Service in Alfort National Veterinary School. Charly Pignon is a Diplomate of the European College of Zoological Medicine (Small mammals), and a board member of Yaboumba (French association for continuing education in exotic and wild animals). His current field of research are ear surgeries and orthopedic surgeries in small mammals, and blood transfusion in ferrets.

Dr. Simon Pot (CH)
Dipl. ACVO/ECVO

Originally from the Netherlands, Simon graduated from the Utrecht University School of Veterinary Medicine in 2000 and worked as a private practitioner for a number of years before pursuing an internship in Utrecht and an ophthalmology specialty residency in Madison, Wisconsin, in the USA. Since 2009, he has worked as a faculty member at the Vetsuisse Faculty in Zurich, Switzerland, where he currently holds an associate professorship. He has recently finished his PhD on corneal wound healing and fibrosis in the Laboratory of Applied Mechanobiology at the Swiss Federal Institute of Technology in Zurich (ETHZ). Further research interests include the treatment of corneal infection/ulceration with a focus on corneal crosslinking (CXL) and advanced ocular and orbital imaging using Optical Coherence Tomography (OCT) and high resolution MRI.
Dr. Jarno Schmidt (DE)
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97-02 Veterinary Medicine Study, Veterinary University (Vienna/Austria). 02-03 Veterinarian Mixed Practice (Whitby/United Kingdom). 03-04 Internship, Small Animal Surgery, Veterinary University (Munich/Germany). 04-08 Residency, Small Animal Surgery, Veterinary Faculty (Munich/Germany). 08-10 Senior Surgeon, Small Animal Surgery, Veterinary Faculty (Munich/Germany). 10-13 Senior Surgeon, Small Animal Referral Clinic (Hollabrunn, Austria). 13- now Teamleader Small Animal Orthopaedics, Veterinary University (Vienna/Austria). Special Interests: Orthopaedics and Traumatology, Gait Analysis in Cats.

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Gert ter Haar studied veterinary medicine at the Faculty of Vet. Med. in Utrecht, where he graduated in 1997. After an internship and surgical residency in Utrecht, he became a Dipl. of the ECVS in 2002 and Head of the Dept. of ENT at the Univ. of Utrecht in 2003. His research on hearing in dogs led to his PhD thesis, a 220-page book entitled “Age-related hearing loss in dogs” in 2009. On the same day he became President of the International Veterinary Ear Nose and Throat association (IVENTA). He gave over 300 national and international lectures on ENT medicine & surgery, hearing research in dogs and soft tissue/reconstructive surgery in dogs and cats. He joined the surgical team of the Royal Veterinary College in London, UK, in 2011 as a senior lecturer in soft tissue surgery. Currently he is associate professor in soft tissue surgery and head of the ENT department and ENT, Audiology and Brachycephaly clinics at the RVC. His current research involves hearing loss in dogs and cats and brachycephalic obstructive airway syndrome.

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